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SUMMARY.

King Edward has lunched on board the Queen of Portugal's yacht, and attended a State performance at the Naples Opera House.

Prince Ching has been advised by Great Britain and Japan to insist upon the restoration of Manchuria and to refuse Russia's demands. The United States is negotiating alone.

Should China lose Manchuria, an attempt will be made to secure a binding promise that the Powers shall continue their right to commercially exploit the territory.

Offers to serve in Somaliland have been received from 200 of the Kaffrarian Rifles. India is said to be favourable to the further despatch of native troops.

British warships at Aden have been ordered to hold Maxim parties in readiness to land a brigade at Berbera for service in Somaliland.

Numerous raids in Servian territory have been committed by Albanians. Two bands of Thessalians are assisting the Turks against the Bulgarians.

Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt, the New York millionaire, has been quietly married in London to Mrs. Rutherford. This is his second marriage.

Nineteen Boer prisoners at Ceylon have taken the oath of allegiance and sailed for South Africa. Twelve others who declined the oath remained in the camp.

Thousands of Jews in Southern Russia have been turned out of their homes by mobs. Their houses were wrecked, their stores and shops sacked, and those who resisted were shot and beaten to death.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gough's Somaliland column was vigorously assailed on April 23 by 300 riflemen and 500 spearsmen.

Repeated bayonet charges, supported by Maxim fire, kept the Somalis at bay, but after four hours' fighting the British were compelled to slowly retire.

The British force had two officers and 13 men killed, and 28 wounded, while the enemy lost 150. The force displayed the greatest gallantry.

The Dervishes displayed unsurpassed fanatical bravery, and heaps of slain were piled before the Maxims. At least 2000 of the enemy were killed.

With the exception of five all the surviving Yaos were wounded. The service bullet failed to stop the fanatical onslaught.

For the capture of Brigadier-General Manning the Sultan has offered a reward of 1000 camels.

It is announced that a Harvard professor has discovered the germ of smallpox.

An eminently satisfactory trial has been done by the Reliance, the yacht built to defend the America Cup.

In Chinese circles it is declared that Prince Ching refused to consider the Russian demands, and at once returned them.

It is not believed that Japan's resistance will go to the limits of war.

Mr. Kingston was told at Mackay on Friday that the available labour would not more than meet the demand, and that many farmers were willing to pay the whole of the rebate to the cane-cutters.

Hope was expressed that the Minister's future treatment of the sugar industry in tropical Queensland would be characterised by the same determined firmness and discriminations that marked the administration of the Customs.

When the Railway Commissioners were at Cooma yesterday they promised to at once proceed with a number of local improvements which were petitioned by a deputation.

Prospects of the wheat crop have been vastly improved by the recent rains. Every important wheat-growing district has participated in the fall.

At the thirty-fourth annual meeting of the Mutual Life Association yesterday the chairman announced that the year had proved more than usually satisfactory.

Further, in the case bearing on the bowing rates to be paid by southern collieries yesterday came to a mutual arrangement on a basis suggested by the President of the Arbitration Court.

It was resolved to retain the existing bowing rate until the end of the year, and at the beginning of next year to inquire into the selling price of coal for the previous six months.

Mr. O'Sullivan, speaking at Kempsey, said that the Rocks and harbour resumptions were paying 4½ per cent. interest for money that cost the Government only 3½.

Arthur Neal, a railway fireman, had his body completely severed by a train near Wilga on Saturday morning. A verdict of accidental death was returned.

Trades-unionists in Melbourne held their eight hours' demonstration yesterday, and the display proved very successful.

Further rains are reported from many parts of the State. In several districts intense cold has followed the wet weather.

At Orange on Sunday afternoon a heavy squall, with thick sleet, was followed by a light fall of snow. Snow is also reported from several other centres.

Considerable damage to the railway, and to roads and culverts, has been reported from the Gundagai district.

The Government has taken action to ascertain the extent of the damage by the storm at Cootamundra, and has inquired after any cases of distress in urgent need of relief.

Mr. W. H. Speed, the manager of a Western Australian theatrical company, is missing. It is feared that he has been drowned.

Sir John See describes the manifesto of the Liberal and Reform League as the manifesto of the "cocksure party." He recognises no necessity for the early meeting of Parliament.

In the opinion of the Attorney-General, the manifesto is an adoption of the Government programme.

Mr. Wise considers that more than half of the Government's loan expenditure has been incurred by the Railway Commissioners. He is confident of the support of Parliament and of the electors.

The Railway Commissioners' report for the quarter ending on March 31 shows a decrease in railway returns of £117,339.

On the tramways the gross earnings show an increase of £26,912; and the expenditure, after providing about £5 000 for the extension of the eight-hours system, an increase of £25,315.

Introducing a deputation upon the subject of neglected children and the protection of women to the Premier and the Attorney-General yesterday, Dr. Mackellar, M.L.C., said that it was notorious that the streets were thronged with boys and girls engaged in uncontrolled selling.

Such a beginning, he maintained, almost invariably led the boys to gambling, and not infrequently to a life of crime; while the fate of the girls was even more deplorable.

Mr. Wise said that he was willing to accept an amendment to the proposed bill to establish the parentage of illegitimate children.

With the exception of the Queensland National Bank, a representative meeting of the banks of the Northern State decided that the time was not opportune to advance rates of interest on fixed deposits or overdrafts.

Mr. Waddell contends that New South Wales can at the present moment borrow money on terms as easy as any Government in Australasia.

Members of the State Government held an informal meeting yesterday to discuss, it is believed, the manifesto of the Liberal and Reform Association.

Fifty-four Bendigo unemployed miners proceeded to Jumbunna yesterday to work in the Jumbunna Colliery at a wage of 9s a day.

Their action was resented by trades-unionists, and hostile demonstrations took place along the railway line. Unsuccessful attempts were made to induce the men to leave the train.

At a meeting of the Liberal and Reform party held yesterday satisfactory progress was reported, and consideration was given to the establishment of further branches.

It is believed that the State Parliament will meet either in the last week of May or during the week following.

At Hobo yesterday Sir William Lyne said that as result of the tariff £1,489,000 had been spent in the erection and extension of Sydney factories.

Despite the news from most of the States that volunteer officers are resigning, Sir John Forrest declares that he has heard nothing of the matter.

Berlin newspapers state that the Federal Council has resolved to impose on Canadian exports a surtax equal to that imposed by the Dominion on German goods.

It is hoped that this retaliation will deter other British possessions from following Canada's example.

Sir Edmund Barton said yesterday that the remarks on the Privy Council by New Zealand Judges displayed a curious similarity to previous criticisms in this State.

The week on the Mining market opened with activity in Gympie and Charters Towers stocks, which monopolised the bulk of yesterday's transactions.

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PONY BUGGY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m., Well-bred Pony Gelding, 14 hands (bred at Manaro), broken to saddle and harness, used to trams; light Am. Buggy, with brake and lamps, and Harness.

2 FIRST PRIZE DOGCARTS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m., 2 Superior Dogcarts (one made of Walnut), both B.M., screw seats, lamps, and chains on axle, quite new (built by Short Bros.). Worthy of inspection.

SUPERIOR HOODED PHAETON TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. E. RICHARDS to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 11.30 a.m., Reliable Black Gelding, 6 yrs., quiet and good in s. and h.; Lady's s.p. hooded Phaeton (light), and set of harness.

7 HIGH-CLASS HORSES, 7 FROM SOUTH COAST.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. SAML. CLARKE, Albion Park, to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 12 o'clock, 7 High-class Geldings, all thoroughly broken to sad., s. and d. harness, including one beautiful well-bred Pony, 14.1; also stylish well-bred chestnut Gelding, with substance, a great pacer, took first prize as 14-stone Hackney at Dapto Show; also BARGO, and several other good sorts.

RACING PONY TOMMY G.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Hennessy to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, TOMMY G., Chestnut Gelding, 2 yrs., 14 hands, Kens cert., by King Jewel from Duchess. Full particulars at sale.

HURDLE HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. Foley to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Chestnut Gelding, by Chesham from Dextra, engaged in hurdle race at Randwick next Saturday.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Dove to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, ROBIN, Bay Gelding, 16.2, by Dosey Boy from Quail, won high jump at shows, and races on the flat also. VICTORY (full brother to Robin), Bay Gelding, winner of many races. Full part. at sale.

DRAUGHT GELDING FROM NOWRA.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Messrs. Woodhill and Co., Nowra, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, A Draught Gelding, any trial given.

SOUTH COUNTRY HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. G. Fraser, Albion Park, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, A stylish Gelding, a splendid lady's or gentleman's hackney, quiet in single and double harness, suit a lady to drive.

HARNESS MARE, FROM UNANDERRA.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. G. Lindsay, Unanderra, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Bay Mare, 6 yrs., 15 hands, good sort, thoroughly broken to harness, a good all-round animal, suit a cab or sociable.

PAIR OF HARNESS MARES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. T. Playfair to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Pair of Roan Mares, 5 yrs., quiet and reliable in single and double harness.

2 S. AND H. HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Bay Gelding, good hack, clever jumper, and broken to harness; also Bay Mare, quiet and reliable in saddle and harness.

LYCEUM THEATRE. Lessee.......... Mr. George Musgrove. Sub-Lessee and Manager.......... WILLIAM ANDERSON. Business Manager.......... Julius Grant.

THIRD WEEK. CROWDED NIGHTLY. (×3) CONTINUED UNPRECEDENTED SUCCESS of the New Spectacular Melodramatic Production. 3rd WEEK, AND STILL PACKED TO THE DOORS. A WOMAN OF PLEASURE. (×4) Since the Opening Performance of the Wonderful Play 29,831 PERSONS HAVE WITNESSED IT. TO-NIGHT (Tuesday) and EVERY EVENING, at 7.50,

A WOMAN OF PLEASURE. (×7) Interpreted by WILLIAM ANDERSON'S FAMOUS DRAMATIC ORGANISATION, INCLUDING ALL THE FAVOURITES. A WOMAN OF PLEASURE. 16 EXQUISITE SCENIC TABLEAUX. EXCITEMENT, SENSATION, REALITY, NOVELTY. INTEREST, FUN, BREEZY, BEAUTIFUL. The Troopship on Fire. The Last Boat. Saving the Women and Children. The Heroic Troops. The Balloon Sensation. Stage Director, J. H. NUNN. Produced under the personal direction of WILLIAM ANDERSON.

Prices, 3s, 2s, and One Shilling. Early door 7 to 7.30, 6d extra. Box Plan at Elvy's Music Warehouse. Booking fee 1s. Day Sale Tickets at White Rose Confectionery, where seats may be reserved after 5 p.m. daily.

UNDER VICE-REGAL PATRONAGE.—Centenary Hall, TO-NIGHT, 28th April, 1903, TO-NIGHT, Grand Vocal and Instrumental CONCERT will be given by Herr RAIMUND PECHOTSCH, at which his talented pupil, Miss Zara Wolinski, will make her debut.

PROGRAMME. PART I.

1. Violin Solo—"Grand Concerto" (op. 31). Andante, Adagio Religioso, Finale Marciale. ... H. Vieuxtemps. Herr RAIMUND PECHOTSCH.
2. Song—"Infelice" (from Ernani) ... Dr. S. MAGUIRE.
3. Waldstein Sonata, op. 53 (First Movement) Allegro con obrio ... Beethoven. Miss CONSTANCE BRANDON USHER.
4. Recitation "To My Violin" ... J. Jerome. LAWRENCE CAMPBELL.
5. (a) Song—"Still wie die Nacht" ... Carl Bohm. (b) Song—"Hush, My Little One" ... E. Bevignani. Miss ZARA WOLINSKI (pupil of Herr Pechotsch).
6. Violin Solo—"Carnival de Venice" ... Paganini (By Special Request.) Herr RAIMUND PECHOTSCH.
7. Song—"Gleaner's Slumber Song" ... Walthew. Miss MAUD DALRYMPLE.

PART II.

1. Dritte Suite ... Franz Ries (op. 34). I. Moderato. II. Tempo di Bouree. III. Adagio non troppo. IV. Perpetuum mobile. (First time in Sydney). Miss CONSTANCE BRANDON USHER and Herr RAIMUND PECHOTSCH.
2. Song—"The Devout Lover" ... M. V. White. Dr. S. MAGUIRE.
3. Cavatina—"Lieti Signor" (from the Huguenots) ... Meyerbeer. Miss ZARA WOLINSKI.
4. (a) "Melodie Oes Dur" ... Moszkowski. (b) "Elfen Tanz" ... Mac Dowell. Miss CONSTANCE BRANDON USHER.
5. (a) "Song of Waiting" ... Ellen Wright. (b) "All Souls' Day" ... Lassen. Miss MAUD DALRYMPLE.
6. Humorous Sketch—"Jim Bowker" ... Foss. Mr. LAWRENCE CAMPBELL.
7. Moise ... Paganini (On the Fourth String only.) Herr RAIMUND PECHOTSCH.

Plan at Paling's. Admission, 4s; Balcony, 2s; Gallery, 1s.

CASH TAILORS.—Stylish Dress Suits, £5 5s, to order. Howes and Howes, Pitt-st., next Market-st.

MEET me at MAYMAN'S, Pitt and King sts., at 12, for a dainty Lunch, one shilling. Dinner 5.30.

AUCTION SALES.

PONY AND HORSE, FROM CAMDEN.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. Wheeler, Camden, to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Bay Pony Mare, 13 hands, 3 yrs., by The Don, broken to saddle and harness; also Bay Gelding, quiet to ride or drive.

WOLLONGONG HORSE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. H. Harris, Gerringong, to sell by auction at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock, Bay Gelding, 16.2, thoroughly staunch and quiet in single and double harness, used to trams.

10 HIGH-CLASS HORSES, 10 from Forbes.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Jno. B. Denkin, Lake Cowal Station, Forbes, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, at 12 o'clock, 10 high-class Light Horses, comprising buggy horses, sulky horses, cab horses, lady and gent.'s hackneys, &c., all thoroughly broken, and in good condition, highly recommended.

SYDNEY TURF CLUB.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, on WEDNESDAY, 29th April, at 12 o'clock noon, the Right to Collect at the Entrance Gates for the Sydney Turf Club Meeting to be held at Randwick on Saturday, 2nd May.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

29 SPLENDID DRAUGHTS. 29 and 10 UPSTANDING SADDLE and HARNESS HORSES. For Sale at the

CAMPERDOWN YARDS, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, AT 2.30 P.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above.

On account of Mr. THOS. BOWRA, Werris Park, Werris Creek. 20 Splendid Heavy and Medium Draughts, 4 to 6 years old, in good condition, all unbroken, with the exception of 7 or 8, which are handled to lead.

Mr. J. QUIRK, Menangle. 15 Fresh Country Horses, comprising 7 extra heavy and medium Draughts, and 8 strong saddle and harness Horses, all thoroughly broken, good workers.

*** Among the lot are two extra heavy Draught Mares.

On account Mr. W. BROOKS, Byrock. 2 Heavy Draught Mares and 3 good useful Saddle and Harness Horses, 14.2 hands high.

ST. MARYS. 20 Miles by Rail (1 hour's journey from Sydney).

RAILWAY CATTLE SALEYARDS (next to Railway Station).

460 DAIRY, FAT, AND STORE CATTLE. 460.

SATURDAY NEXT, MAY 2nd, AT 12 O'CLOCK SHARP.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, as above.

The following are the particulars of the various lots advised up to the present:—
20 Superior Springing Cows and Heifers, on account of various owners.
40 Paddock-fed Fat Cattle, from local paddocks.
10 very choice Springing Cows and Heifers, a specially picked lot, and including 1 half-bred Jersey on her second calf.
10 good Store Cows.
200, comprising 100 choice Dairy Heifers, 2 to 3 years old; 30 ditto, 1 to 2 years. All from picked cows selected from some of the best dairies in the Southern district. 30 Steers, 1 to 2 years old; 30 good Store Cows, in forward condition; and 10 Fat Bullocks.
150 Mixed Cattle, comprising Dairy Heifers, Steers, and Store Cows. Full particulars later.
20 first-class Dairy Heifers, 2 years old, all good colours.

We expect to have several other lots, full particulars of which are not yet to hand, but will be advertised later.

*** Competent drovers on the ground, or arrangements can be made to have the cattle trucked or shipped to any destination.

TRAIN LEAVES SYDNEY FOR ST. MARYS ON MORNING OF SALE at 10.15, RETURNING at 3.42 and 6.47 p.m.

THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

31 ELIZABETH-STREET, WATERLOO, adjacent to Park. Take Zetland tram.

IMPERATIVE and ABSOLUTELY UNRESERVED SALE of THE STOCK-IN-TRADE of A GROCERY BUSINESS.

FURNITURE, comprising Dresden Piano (Elvy and Co.) in walnut case, Pictures, Whatnot, A. B., Chairs, Couches, Fender Irons, Carpet, Rockers, Singer's Swg. Machine (good order), large Cedar Chest, 9 Drawers, Combination, Fr. Toilets, Washstands and Ware, Oilcloth, Glassware, Chiffonier, Dining Table, Double and Single Bedsteads and Bedding, superior Ralegh Stove (in use 4 months, cost £10 10s), Kitchen Utensils of all descriptions, and Sundries. GROCERY.—Tea in chests, Salad and Castor Oil, Patent Medicine, Tinned Fish, Fruits, Sauces, Sardines, Cocoa, Pickles, Matches, Essences, Vinegar, Starch Soap, Oatmeal, Biscuits, Sago, Brooms, Axes, Knifeboards, Cream of Tartar, Peas, Candles, Lamp Glasses, together with all the requirements for the trade; Hardy's Wines; 3 sets Counter Scales and Weights, Incandescent Lamps; Horse, Cart, and Harness.

JOHN P. LISTER has been instructed to conduct this Important Sale.

Terms, Cash. NO RESERVE.

UNREDEEMED PLEDGES.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, the Unredeemed Clothing and Sundries pledged with Mr. J. Bloom, Bathurst-street. At 11 o'clock: Clothing, consisting of Suits, Overcoats, Macintoshes, Rugs, Blankets, Boots, House and Table Linen, Umbrellas, Bags, &c. At 2.30: Sundries, comprising Cases Dessert and Fish Knives and Forks, E.P. Ware, Guns, Revolvers, very superior Concert Flute, Musical Instruments, Field and Opera Glasses, Theodolite and Tripod, Graphophone, Sewing Machines, &c.

WEDNESDAY, 29th INST., 11 o'clock.

At the MART, 247A PITT-STREET, CITY.

PEREMPTORY and TOTALLY UNRESERVED SALE of a large quantity of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising the entire Furnishings of 14 Rooms, amongst which all classes of buyers can be suited.

The whole has been removed to the Mart for convenience of Sale, and must be cleared on the day named.

JOHN P. LISTER has been favoured with instructions to conduct this Important Sale. ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

TERMS, CASH. Full particulars TO-MORROW'S Issue.

PALACE THEATRE. THIRD MATINEE of ARE YOU A MASON? TO-MORROW (WED.) AFTERNOON, at 2.

PALACE THEATRE. Lessee and Manager ...... Mr. J. C. WILLIAMSON. Representative .... Mr. G. L. Goodman.

EVERY EVENING, at 8. WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, at 2.

A NEW SEASON AND A NEW COMPANY, under the Management of Mr. J. C. WILLIAMSON.

3rd WEEK 3rd and established popularity of

ARE YOU A MASON?

HOW OLD IS YOUR MOTHER?

ARE YOU A MASON? (×22) The success which has attended the performance of this Bright and Merry Entertainment since its First Production is so Emphatic and Complete that the Director is content with the simple announcement that it will be REPEATED THIS and EVERY EVENING at 8, and WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON at 2. Interpreted by Mr. GEO. GIDDENS and Mr. Williamson's NEW COMEDY CO.

ARE YOU A MASON? Adapted by Leo Dietrichstein from the German of Laufs and Kratz.

NEW SCENERY BY JOHN GORDON. THE LADIES' COSTUMES, the latest up-to-date Designs, by Mrs. ARTHUR PATRICK, of Portman-square, London; Messrs. WOOLLAND BROS., Knightsbridge, London; and Madame THERESA MORGAN, of 5th Avenue, New York. Drapery, Carpetings, &c., by Messrs. Beard, Watson, Ltd.

Stage Manager.......... Mr. HERBERT JARMAN. Musical Director.......... Mr. ALFRED HILL.

Mr. WILLIAMSON has secured the SOLE RIGHT of Representing "ARE YOU A MASON" in Australasia from Mr. CHARLES FROHMAN, of New York and London.

PRICES—as usual. BOX PLAN AT PALING'S. Day Sale Tickets at the White Rose Confectionery, Pitt-street. Trams stop at Theatre when required.

COURSING AT BELMORE. SATURDAY, MAY 2nd, 1903.

8 Dogs (all aged) at £2 2s. 8 Dogs (all ages, maiden) at £1 1s. 8 Dogs (class), for dogs that have never won £5.

Nominations close FRIDAY, May 1st, at 11 o'clock; draw at noon. J. ROWAN. 45 Regent-street, Redfern.

MEET me at MAYMAN'S, Pitt and King sts., at 12, for a dainty Lunch, one shilling. Dinner 5.30.

CASH TAILORS.—Fashionable Overcoats, from 70s, to order. Howes and Howes, Pitt-st., next Market-st.

AUCTION SALES.

TO PARTIES FURNISHING, THE TRADE, &c.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, 28th APRIL, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK SHARP.

AT 417 PITT-STREET, opposite Salvation Army People's Palace.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS. Removed from Palmer-street, Darlinghurst, under imperative instructions from the actual owner, and from a large City Boarding-house.

BONA-FIDE UNRESERVED SALE.

Handsome Brussels Carpet, Lino., Lace Curtains, Mats, &c. VERY FINE DRAWING-ROOM SUITE, solid Italian Walnut Frames, upholstered in Tapestry. *** A really fine Suite. *** Overmantels in solid Walnut, and Ebonized Frames. Rattan and Rush Chairs, Bamboo Whatnots, Occl. Tables. ELEGANT LOUNGE CHAIR, in rich Silk Tapestry. Oil Paintings, Glass, Engravings, and Prints, Ornaments. AUSTRIAN DINING-ROOM SUITE, of 9 pieces. 6ft. x 3ft. 6in. Ext. Dining Tables, Pine-top Dining Tables. Austrian Chairs, Chiffoniers, 4ft. Sideboard, Glassware. Dinner Service, Tea Set, Saltcellars, Tumblers, &c. VERY FINE ELECTROPLATE, Table and Dessert Spoons, Table and Dessert Forks, Tea Spoons, and Cutlery. BEACONSFIELD BEDROOM SUITE, with bev. glass. 8ft. and 3ft. 6in. Wardrobes, Cedar, 4 and 7 dr. Chests. Washstands and Ware, 3ft. half-circle Toilet Pair. VERY HANDSOME DOUBLE BEDSTEADS, fitted with super. Wires and Hair Bedding. Single Bedsteads and Bedding, Stump Bedsteads.

BED and TABLE LINEN, Table Cloths, Quilts, Sheets, Blankets, Towels, Mosquito Nets, Pillow Slips, Serviettes, &c.

PING PONG TABLE, 9ft. x 5ft., in three sections.

Kitchen Furniture, and a very large assortment of Kitchen and Culinary Utensils, in first-class order.

Incandescent Burners (pilot light), Mantles, Globes, and Chimneys, lot of useful Tools. EUREKA GAS STOVES, No. 419, Enamelled. HANNAM'S GAS BATH HEATER, nearly new. 15ft. Hose (fitted), Aviary and Birds, pair Zinc Tubs (plugged).

HOWE and CO.

HENRY W. BROOK, Auctioneer, will sell by auction, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m. SHARP.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

To Fancy and Toy Trades, Country Buyers, Hawkers.

At THE ROOMS, 7 WYNYARD-STREET,

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 11 sharp.

GENERAL FANCY GOODS, Toys, Stationery, Perfumery, Dolls, Table and Pocket Cutlery, Bags, Purses, Watches, Chains, Pipes, Pouches, Brushware, Toilet Soaps, Studs, Links, Photo Frames, Sundries, &c.

M. GOULSTON AND CO. will sell THIS DAY.

HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION at THE CENTRAL AUCTION ROOMS, 115 BATHURST-STREET.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, APRIL 28th, at 11 o'clock. Continuing the sale all day, with short break for lunch.

HIGH-CLASS MODERN FURNITURE and HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS, removed from a Gentleman's Residence at Bon Accord-avenue, Waverley-Bondi; also, the Complete Furnishings of 2 Residences from Willoughby-street, North Sydney.

Dinner Service, Cutlery, Glassware. The Complete and Handsome Furnishings of Dining and Breakfast Rooms, in excellent order and condition.

Lovely Royal Axminster Carpet Squares. Singer Sewing Machine, latest improved. 32 pairs Arctic Piano Candle Lamps and Shades. Charming Drawing-room Furniture. Fancy Hearthrugs, A1 Linoleums.

The Complete Furnishings of 3 Bedrooms in every detail. 3 Handsome Bedroom Suites. Wardrobes, Washstands, Toilet Ware. Duchesse Chests, Lace Curtains, &c., &c.

Large assortment of Laundry and Kitchen Requisites.

VINCENT H. KELSON, late Dalwood and Co., Ltd., has received definite instructions from the various vendors to conduct this Important Sale. WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

Parties in search of Really Good Furniture should not miss this opportunity.

THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK. Important Unreserved Sale by Auction, at the Residence, JACK'S COTTAGE, COWPER-STREET, WAVERLEY, opp. Public School.

Superior Modern FURNITURE and EFFECTS, comprising Best Quality Electroplated Ware. Drawing and Dining Room Furniture. UPRIGHT GRAND PIANO, by STOLLE, a lovely instrument, in perfect order. MASSIVE BEDROOM FURNITURE. The Furniture of several well-appointed Bedrooms, including a Bedroom Suite consisting of Double Wardrobe with break-front, fitted with 2 bevelled plate-glass doors, hanging compartments, and pair handsome Toilets to match. VERY MASSIVE PARISIAN BEDSTEAD, heavily brass mounted, and inlaid with mother-o'-pearl, treble Wire and Kapok Mattress, &c. SEVERAL OTHER DOUBLE H.T. BEDSTEADS, &c. Best Quality Carpets and Linoleums. China, Glass, Crockery, and Hollowware. Kitchen and Laundry Requisites. Also a Bay PONY, SULKY, and HARNESS.

ALLDIS AND CO., having been favoured with instructions from E. J. Hanlon, Esq., in consequence of bereavement in family, will sell by public auction, Without Reserve, as above.

EXTENSIVE CLEARING SALE, CONTRACTORS' PLANT.

Albany and Clarendon roads, Petersham.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 11 o'clock.

Material large Iron Shed, 2-storied, nearly new. Stock of Pitch, Stockholm Tar in drums, Bluestone Cubes 1000ft. 6 x 3 Lining, Studs, Joists, Rafters, 200 shts. Iron. Scaffold Planks, Portable Tar Tank, Iron Coppers. Cast-iron Columns, Drays, Waggon, Barrows (wrought and cast iron). Quantity of Cast-iron Palisading, good pattern. 20 Panel Doors, 20 new Sashes and Frames. Large quantity of Material, suit contractors.

SMITH and BAINES invite buyers to this sale.

EXTENSIVE UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE.

PARRAMATTA-ROAD, ANNANDALE, opp. Cannon-street.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, at 11 o'clock.

To Parties Furnishing, the Trade, and others.

PIANOS, Sideboard, Tables, Chairs, Overmantels. Bed and Bedding, best quality. Kitchen and Dining-room Requisites.

SMITH and BAINES invite buyers. Extended particulars Wednesday's Herald.

THIS (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON, AT 2.30 SHARP. By Public Auction, On the Premises, 687-689 GEORGE-STREET, HAYMARKET. 2 First-class PIANOS and 4 Van Loads Assorted FURNITURE. Under instructions from the mortgagee.

E. HEBDEN BRODRIBB will sell as above. Absolutely no reserve.

TIVOLI THEATRE. Sole Proprietor and Manager ... Mr. Harry Rickards.

MATINEES WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY, by Mr. HARRY RICKARDS' NEW TIVOLI VAUDEVILLE AND SPECIALTY COMBINATION.

Our Picturesque NEW FIRST PART, entitled LAWN TENNIS.

ABSOLUTELY THE LAST WEEK of HILL and SYLVAINY. As they leave for Melbourne. HILL and SYLVAINY. The most wonderfully clever HILL and SYLVAINY. Parisian Experts.

LAST NIGHT, THURSDAY, April 30.

POSITIVELY THE LAST WEEK of THE VESUVIO CO. Six Italian Artists. THE VESUVIO CO. Direct from Naples. SEELEY and WEST. Received nightly by the delighted audiences with shrieks of laughter. Mr. RODDA PERRY. The Magnificent Alto. Mr. F. RIVENHALL. The Clever young Comedian. Mr. EDWARD FORD, the Facial Comedian. Miss FANNY POWERS, Specialty Dancer and Mimic. Miss NELLIE LESLIE, Song and Dance Expert. Miss FLORRIE RANGER, Serio-comic Vocalist. Miss NEVA CARR GLYNN. Mr. GEORGE BENTLEY. Miss PEARL LOVELL. Mr. GUS FRANKS. Mr. H. C. BUCKLEY. Mr. A. MACDERMOTT.

Supported by the whole of our Brilliant Double Company. THE SAME OLD TIVOLI PRICES. 3s 6d, 2s, 1s 6d, 1s, and 6d. Early Doors and Booked Seats 6d extra. Box Plan at W. H. Paling and Co. Business Manager, JOHN C. LEETE.

TIVOLI THEATRE. THE VAUDEVILLE EVENT OF THE CENTURY. THE VAUDEVILLE EVENT OF THE CENTURY. Just arrived per R.M.S. Orotava, direct from London, under special Engagement to Mr. Rickards,

THE BOISETT COMPANY THE BOISETT 9 THE BOISETT. 9 THE BOISETT COMPANY THE BOISETT.

Absolutely the highest priced company of Brilliant Star Comedians, Pantomimists, and Gymnastic Eccentrics in the Vaudeville World, who will make their first appearance in Australia on SATURDAY NEXT AT THE MATINEE.

TOM DONNELLY, most successful Teacher Stage and Fancy Dancing. Pupil, Eileen Capel. 5 Hunter-st.

GERM. Liedertafel, Drought Rel. Concert, Wed. night, Y.M.C.A. Herr Askeland, celebrated Norwegian viol.

GERM. Liedertafel, Drought Rel. Concert, Wed. night, Miss Doyle, Miss French, Miss Beverge, Hr. Scheinpflug.

CASH TAILORS.—New Shape Suitings, 75s, to order. Howes and Howes, Pitt-st., next Market-st.

MEET me at MAYMAN'S, Pitt and King sts., at 12, for a dainty Lunch, one shilling. Dinner 5.30.

AUCTION SALES.

CONCORD.

About 10 minutes' walk from the Strathfield Railway Station.

Under instructions from Dr. ALBERT G. HANSON, in consequence of the early departure of Mrs. HANSON and FAMILY for England.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, 28th APRIL, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

At his Residence, CREEWOOD, CONCORD-ROAD, CONCORD.

The whole of the MODERN ENGLISH FURNITURE, ARTISTIC and COSTLY APPOINTMENTS.

*** The PRINCIPAL SUITES of FURNITURE throughout the Residence were specially made for Dr. HANSON IN ENGLAND, and are of exceptional manufacture and finish.

*** LADIES and GENTLEMEN about to Furnish throughout and those who may require SPECIAL ARTICLES only should find the Sale of the FURNITURE and EFFECTS at CREEWOOD of special interest.

*** FULL PARTICULARS of these VALUABLE EFFECTS will be found in SATURDAY'S AUCTION COLUMNS, and in CATALOGUES, to be obtained at the Offices of the Auctioneers and at CREEWOOD.

SUPERB PIANOFORTE, by JULIUS FEURICH. Full-sized Upright Grand, in ebonised case, specially selected at the Pianoforte Galleries of Messrs. Paling and Co.

*** In the most perfect order, possessing remarkably fine qualities of tone and resonance. This very fine instrument should command special notice.

SEMI-GRAND PIANOFORTE, by KAPS, in Walnut case, Brilliant and Very Fine Tone.

At 2.30 O'CLOCK, AFTERNOON, the Auctioneer will sell MRS. HANSON'S VICTORIAETTE, an elegant, light-running Carriage, highly suitable for a lady's use, together with quiet and docile CREAM PONY, and set of Harness.

THE FAMILY COW, Jersey bred, very quiet, and grand milk and butter Cow.

A Large Assortment of CARPENTER'S TOOLS, Turning Lathe, Garden Tools, Green's Patent Lawn Mower, Hoses, &c.

DOUBLE CYLINDER GARDEN ROLLER, Ladders, Grindstone, Wheelbarrow, Surface Drain Tiles.

FINE COLLECTION OF BUSHHOUSE PLANTS.

ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.

JAMES R. LAWSON, AUCTIONEER, LAWSON, CARO, and CO., Ltd., has been favoured with instructions from Dr. ALBERT G. HANSON to Sell by Auction, at his residence, as above, in consequence of the early departure of Mrs. HANSON and FAMILY for ENGLAND.

VALUABLE OIL PAINTINGS by BARON PASZTHORY.

The great Continental Artist, who is on a visit to this State for the first time.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION at LAWSON, CARO, AND COY.'S AUCTION ROOMS, 128-130 PITT-STREET, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, 29th APRIL, AT 2.30 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON.

FORTY-FIVE FINE WORKS, for the first time exhibited in this State, embracing a great diversity of subjects in Figure, Landscape, and Seascape, from the Continent and America.

BARON PASZTHORY is returning immediately to PARIS, and has instructed the auctioneers to sell this fine Collection WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

THE PICTURES WILL BE ON VIEW THIS DAY, TUESDAY, and CATALOGUES can be obtained at the Rooms and Offices of the Auctioneers.

JAMES R. LAWSON, AUCTIONEER, LAWSON, CARO, and COY, Ltd., has received instructions from BARON PASZTHORY to sell by auction as above.

RANDWICK.

SALE BY AUCTION.

THURSDAY NEXT, 30th APRIL, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

At the Residence, MYEE, PEROUSE-ROAD, RANDWICK. Under instructions from Mrs. T. J. WOODGATE.

THE SUPERIOR FURNITURE and GENERAL HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS.

SUPERB PIANOFORTE, by the Celebrated Maker, JULIUS FEURICH. An Instrument of the highest grade, in Walnut Case, practically new.

&c., &c., &c.

FULLER PARTICULARS will be advertised in TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY'S) AUCTION COLUMNS.

ON VIEW THURSDAY MORNING, PRIOR TO SALE.

JAMES R. LAWSON, AUCTIONEER, LAWSON, CARO, and CO., Ltd., ACTING AS AGENT FOR THE VENDOR, Mrs. T. J. WOODGATE, has been favoured with her instructions to conduct the Important Sale by Auction, at her Residence, as above.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, 28th APRIL, at 11.30 a.m., AT THE ROOMS, 356 GEORGE-STREET (Opposite St. Andrew's Cathedral).

To the Trade, Dealers, and Others.

200 doz. Mosley's No. 78 Table and Dessert Knives
10 Gross Albaloid Tea Spoons
5 ditto ditto Dessert Spoons
3 ditto ditto Table Spoons
5 ditto ditto Table Forks
3 ditto ditto Dessert Forks
10 cases Etched Circle Tumblers, ½ pt., ea. 25 doz.
10 ditto Etched Key Tumblers, ditto ditto
5 ditto Cut and Split Ball Tumblers, 6 to qt., ea. 50 doz.
5 ditto Cut and Fluted Tumblers, ditto ditto
5 packages White and Gold Cups and Saucers
Pink and Celeste Cups and Saucers
Plates to Match
2 cases, ea. 50, American Nickel Alarm Clocks
3 ditto, ea. 200, 15in. Chair Seats (in lots to suit purchasers)
1 case Mahogany Tray Glasses, 9 x 7, 12 doz.
1 ditto ditto, 10 x 8, 12 doz.
1 ditto ditto, 12 x 9, 8 doz.
1 ditto ditto, 14 x 10, 8 doz.
12 American 1903 STANDARD BICYCLES.

THURSDAY, 30th APRIL, at 2.30 p.m.

STATE-MADE and IMPORTED FURNITURE. Japanese Tables, Suites, Pith Settees and Chairs. Overmantels, Hall Stands, Dining, Drawing, and Bed Room Furniture, and Sundries.

M. DE LISSA AND CO. will sell as above.

GOODS on VIEW AT THE ROOMS.

THIS DAY, 10 o'clock.—Suite of Furniture, Chests of Drawers, 4-tester Bedsteads, Chairs, Safes, Tables, &c. JOHN CANTY will sell on the premises, No. 32 Bullanaming-street, Redfern.

ZYCLYNE.—Try it for finger marks on doors and save vexation. Tins 1s, all storekeepers.

ARTARMON ESTATE, First Sale Next SAT. Terms. Torrens. Lithos. R. and W., Ltd.

PERDRIAU AND COMPANY,

INDIA RUBBER MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS OF RUBBER GOODS.

ONLY ADDRESS, 270 GEORGE-STREET, SYDNEY.

AUCTION SALES.

THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK. AT THE MART, 199 PITT-STREET. FOR POSITIVE SALE. TO CLOSE CONSIGNMENTS.

40 KEGS AMERICAN HOG CASINGS, each 56lb.

300 CASES PUCK'S SOAP, each 3 dozen.

120 BOXES DATES
47 CASES BLANCHFLOWERS COCKLES
28 CASES ASSORTED SOUPS
60 BOXES CODFISH
15 CASES MACARONI, 1lb. packets
30 CASES SARDINES, ½'s and ¼'s
20 BARRELS ANCHOVIES, in brine
27 CASES SPANISH OLIVES, quarts
78 CASES LUCCA OIL
78 CHESTS CHINA TEA,
also with all faults, if any, ex Oruba.

306-7 4 PACKAGES CEYLON BROKEN PEKOE.

10 TONS BROWN WRAPPING PAPER, 36 x 46, 120lb.

S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY, late HENRY HARRIS AND COMPANY, will sell as above.

TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, 29th APRIL, 1903, AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP.

SALVAGE

HENTSCH'S BOND FIRE, REMOVED TO WALKER'S BOND, DAWES POINT, for Convenience of Sale.

CONTINUATION OF THE SERIES OF UNRESERVED SALES BY AUCTION, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM J. M. ROOKE, Esq., FIRE ADJUSTER.

SALVAGE, OF WHICH THE UNDERMENTIONED ARE SOME OF THE PRINCIPAL LINES—QUANTITIES MORE OR LESS.

HARDWARE and IRONMONGERY.

19 HOGSHEADS CHINA, Comprising—Cups and Saucers, Plates and Jugs, in white and gold, blue and gold, and pink and gold.
3 TONS BAR STEEL
600 GALLONS VARNISH, ½, 1, and 4gal. tins
200 PANELLED DOORS, 1⅛in.
150 CASES STEEL WIRE NAILS
10 CWT. COPPER CABLE, brass cased
5 CWT. ZINC TUBING
5 CWT. PERFORATED ZINC
350 COILS BARBED WIRE,
and LARGE QUANTITY OF SUNDRIES, consisting of Enamelled Holloware, Asbestos Stoves, Gem Phonographs, loose Cups and Saucers, Vegetable Dishes and Covers, Plates, Ewers and Basins, Butter Basins, Tumblers, Custards, Water Bottles, Decanters, Wrapping Paper, Old Brass and Copper, Tent and Sail Canvas, Hessian Cornsacks, Twine, &c., &c.

DRAPERY.

MEN'S and WOMEN'S NATURAL WOOL UNDERWEAR. HOSE and HALF-HOSE, OXFORD SHIRTING. ALPACA, SILK SHIRTING. FLANNELETTE, SILESIAS, HORROCKS' CALICO. CRETONNE, BOYS' SAILOR and KHAKI SUITS. BUTCHERS' APRONS, in piece, NAVY SERGE. HOUSE LINEN, &c.

450 CASES CANNED FRUITS. 8 BARRELS OLIVES. 50 BOXES CLAY PIPES, and a quantity of COCOA, INK, SAUCES, SALMON, &c., &c.

S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY, late HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY, have received instructions from J. M. ROOKE, Esq., Fire Adjuster, to conduct THE ABOVE IMPORTANT AND UNRESERVED SALE OF SALVAGE at WALKER'S BOND, DAWES POINT, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, 29th APRIL, at 11 o'clock sharp.

*** A CHARGE OF TWO SHILLINGS EACH WILL BE MADE FOR ADMISSION TO THE SALE, WHICH WILL BE REFUNDED TO BUYERS.

TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, 29th APRIL, 1903, at 2.30 sharp.

SALVAGE AT THE SCENE OF THE LATE FIRE AT HENTSCH'S BOND, CONTINUATION OF THE SERIES OF UNRESERVED SALES BY AUCTION, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS FROM J. M. ROOKE, Esq., FIRE ADJUSTER.

SALVAGE

VERY LARGE QUANTITY OF LOOSE CORNSACKS, PAPER STUFF, 2-3/8 HARDWOOD GIRDERS and POSTS, SCRAP IRON, SASH WEIGHTS, &c., &c.

S. H. HARRIS AND COMPANY, late HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY, have received instructions from J. M. ROOKE, Esq., FIRE ADJUSTER, to conduct the ABOVE UNRESERVED SALVAGE SALE at HENTSCH'S BOND, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

RANDWICK.

TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, 29th APRIL, AT 11 A.M.

IMPORTANT AUCTIONEERS' ANNOUNCEMENT.

To the Residents of Randwick, Ladies and Gentlemen Furnishing, and Others.

ATTRACTIVE UNRESERVED SALE By Public Auction, At the Residence of Mrs. J. MACPHERSON, ASCOT, BOTANY-STREET, RANDWICK, of the whole of her SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS, comprising

CUT and ENGRAVED GLASSWARE. FINEST QUALITY ELECTROPLATE. HANDSOME CHINA DINNER SET, TEA SET, and DESSERT SET. SUPERIOR DINING-ROOM FURNITURE, including OVERMANTEL, SIDEBOARD, DINING TABLE. 6 High-back Dining Chairs and 2 Armchairs. Black Marble Striking Timepiece. ELEGANT DRAWING-ROOM FURNITURE, including ROSEWOOD OCCASIONAL CHAIRS, in Silk. ROSEWOOD SUTHERLAND TABLE. ELEGANT-SHAPED DRAWING-ROOM OCCASIONAL TABLES. Overmantel, Fancy Occasional Chairs. Elegant Handpainted China Vases and Ornaments. HIGH-CLASS PIANOFORTE in Walnut Case, by the well-known English maker, KIRKMAN. SUPERIOR BRUSSELS CARPETS and RUGS. Bagatelle Board and Fittings. ELEGANT LACE and CHENILLE WINDOW CURTAINS and DRAPES. OIL PAINTINGS and ENGRAVINGS. WELL-MADE BEDROOM FURNITURE, including BEDROOM SUITE. WARDROBES, DRESSING CHESTS, and MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS. VERY FINE SPANISH MAHOGANY CHEST DRAWERS, CEDAR and PINE CHESTS. SINGLE and DOUBLE HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS, with Bedding complete. HANDSOME LIMOGES CHINA TOILET SET. WERTHEIM SEWING MACHINE, in perfect order. QUANTITY BED and TABLE LINEN. VAPOUR BATH CABINET. ICE CHEST. KITCHEN and LAUNDRY UTENSILS. LAWN MOWER, GARDEN TOOLS. And a large quantity of Sundries too numerous to particularise.

WALTER BRADLEY AND CO. have been favoured with instructions from Mrs. J. Macpherson to conduct the above important sale at her residence, ASCOT, BOTANY-STREET, RANDWICK, TO-MORROW, WEDNESDAY, 29th APRIL, at 11 a.m.

TERMS, CASH.

ON VIEW THIS AFTERNOON, FROM 2 TO 5 P.M.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, 28th APRIL, AT 11 A.M. AT THE ROOMS, 167 CLARENCE-STREET.

On account of those concerned.

FOR UNRESERVED SALE BY AUCTION.

500 PAIRS BLANKETS (all faults, if any)
200 PIECES ESTAMENE SERGE
350 PAIRS MEN'S WHITE MOLESKIN TROUSERS
and GENERAL SOFT GOODS AND DRAPERY LINES.
Also,
150 BAGS PLASTER OF PARIS
2000 YARDS DAMPCOURSE FELT
10 GROSS BURNING-OFF LAMPS
14 CASES ENAMELLED CULINARY WARE
and GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

LAWSON, HENDERSON, AND CO. will sell by auction, at their Rooms, as above, on THIS DAY, AT 11 A.M.

ARTARMON ESTATE, First Sale Next SAT. Terms. Torrens. Lithos. R. and W., Ltd.

AUCTION SALES.

THE SALE OF THE SEASON. THIS MORNING, 11 O'CLOCK SHARP. THE MAGNIFICENT FURNISHINGS and VERY RECHERCHE APPOINTMENTS of "STRATHNOON," PARK-ROAD, BURWOOD, opp. Mr. A. J. Riley's, close station. SUPERB RONISCH PIANOFORTE. SOLID WALNUT FURNITURE. DELIGHTFUL CARPETS, PAINTINGS, SUITES, Sulky, Singing Birds, Roller, Everything. In Splendid Order. Equal New. Unreserved. Mr. NALDER leaving on 4th May for America and Europe.

*** Fuller particulars appeared yesterday morning's papers.

Descriptive Book Catalogues at Sale. Lunch provided for Buyers and Friends. STRONGMAN and WATSON, FURNITURE and FINE ART AUCTIONEERS. Telephone, 200 Burwood.

THIS DAY, TUESDAY, 28th APRIL, 1903. FOR POSITIVE SALE BY AUCTION. Under instructions from Messrs. A. TANGE and CO.

503 PACKAGES NEW SEASON'S HIGH-GRADE CEYLON TEAS, (Now landing, ex Himalaya, from Colombo). Comprising Pekoe Souchongs, Pekoes, Bro. Or. Pekoes, &c.

CYRIL TROWER AND CO. will hold the above Important Sale by Auction, at the Mart, 199 Pitt-street, THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 12 noon sharp. Catalogues and Samples now obtainable at the Mart.

THIS DAY, at 2. MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction at Hay and George streets, Haymarket, New and Second-hand Dresses, Petticoats, Knickers, Men's and Children's Clothing, Bed Clothing, Drapery, Furniture, Bedsteads, &c. No Reserve.

ATTEND the FIRST SALE of ARTARMON ESTATE. A SPLENDID PROPERTY on the heights above ARTARMON RAILWAY STATION, on the Ground, 3 p.m., NEXT SATURDAY, 2nd MAY.

66 CHOICE BUILDING SITES on LIBERAL TERMS and TORRENS TITLE.

Call for a Litho. RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

ORDER OF SALE of SHARE and SUNDRY PROPERTIES, to be OFFERED by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the ROOMS, 13 PITT STREET, at Half-past Eleven a.m., TO-MORROW, 29th APRIL, 1903.

One Share in the Civil Service Co-operative Society of N.S.W.

SURRY HILLS. Building Block of Land, 18ft. 4in. to Bellevue-st.

PYMBLE. Charming Residence and Grounds, known as Colinrobie, fronting Gordon-road.

BOTANY (NORTH). Detached Cottage, known as No. 3 Harris street.

HARDIE and GORMAN, Auctioneers.

CHATSWOOD.

Corner of DAY and RAILWAY STREETS, only 3 minutes from Railway Station, and situate in an elevated locality and isolated from other properties.

GLENROCK.

A Very Attractive and Commodious COTTAGE RESIDENCE, substantially built of brick, tiled roof, spacious verandahs on 3 sides, contains wide entrance hall, large drawing and dining rooms, breakfast-room, 4 bedrooms, kitchen, pantry, linen cupboard, bathroom (water heater), laundry (fitted) with tubs and copper. The FURNISHINGS are good throughout, tiled hearths, marble mantels, fixed overmantels, rooms richly cornice'd, venetian blinds, in fact every possible convenience.

LAND about 1 ACRE, laid out in lawns, choice flower garden, TENNIS and CROQUET LAWNS, 3 summer houses and bushhouse, brick stables (3-stall), coachhouse and man's-room, gas, water, and sewer.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at their SALEROOMS, 283 GEORGE-STREET, on THURSDAY, 30th April, at 11.30 a.m., The above Charming Residence and Grounds.

CHATSWOOD. IMPORTANT BUSINESS CORNER FOR POSITIVE SALE.

having a frontage of 100ft. to Victoria-avenue by a depth of 109ft. along Gordon-road, opposite COMMERCIAL BANK and SHARLAND'S ROYAL HOTEL and close to Chatswood station. Title Torrens.

HUGH DUFF and CO. have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at their Salerooms, 283 George-street, on THURSDAY, 30th APRIL, at 11.30, as above.

DULWICH HILL, close to Tram.

In Bankruptcy. Estate of Mrs. M. A. DOBBIE.

BY ORDER of the OFFICIAL ASSIGNEE.

A compact detached VILLA RESIDENCE, situate at the corner of Beech-street and Canonbury-grove, containing 6 rooms and kitchen, and built of brick with tile roof. The land has a frontage of 40ft. to Beech-street by a depth of 114ft.

Title, Torrens.

C. F. W. LLOYD, in conjunction with RAINE and HORNE, will sell the above by auction, in the Rooms, 86 Pitt-street, on THURSDAY, April 30, at 11.30.

By order of the Administrator of the Estate of the late ALEXANDER BROWN, to close accounts.

CHOICE AGRICULTURAL and GRAZING PROPERTY, 122½ Acres, Torrens Title.

J. B. JOHNSTON AND CO. have been instructed by the Administrator of the Estate of the late Alexander Brown to sell by public auction, on SATURDAY, 16th day of MAY, at their SALEROOMS, GEORGE-STREET, WINDSOR, at 2.30 p.m.,

All that Agricultural and Grazing Property, situated at Little Cattai Creek, six miles from Windsor, consisting of 122½ acres, Torrens title, about thirty acres splendid lucerne and maize growing land, the balance first-class grazing land.

The property has a large frontage to the tidal waters of Little Cattai Creek, which secures to it a never failing abundance of pure water; it is securely fenced, and there is upon it a stone residence.

For further particulars apply to the auctioneers.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 18th April, 1903.

WILSON v. WILSON.

ON TUESDAY, the 28th day of April, 1903, at noon, unless the Writ of Fieri Facias herein be previously satisfied, the SHERIFF will cause to be sold by public auction, at the Saleroom, Supreme Court, Sydney, All the Right, Title, and Interest (if any) of JOHN CHARLES WILSON, the Petitioner herein, under and by virtue of the Will of his Father, the late Thomas Wilson, of Queanbeyan, who died on the 25th April, 1887. The Will is dated 7th April, 1887, and Probate of same was granted to J. Gibbs and R. Swan on the 23rd June, 1887.

TERMS, CASH.

C. E. B. MAYBURY, Sheriff.

E. R. ABIGAIL, Attorney for Respondent, 67 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 27th April, 1903.

THE MORTGAGE LOAN AND FINANCE CO. OF AUSTRALIA, LIMITED, v. REIDY, J. J.

ON FRIDAY, the 29th day of May, 1903, at noon, unless the Writ of Fieri Facias herein be previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by public auction, at the Saleroom, Supreme Court, Sydney, All the Right, Title, and Interest of John Joseph Reidy, the defendant herein, of, in, and to all that the Equity of Redemption, and all other the right, title, and interest (if any) of him the said defendant of, in, and to a lease held by the said defendant, for the residue of the term of 99 years computed from the 1st January, 1880, of all that piece or parcel of land situate in the parish of Alexandria, and county of Cumberland, commencing on the north side of Cleveland-street, 166ft. 4in. easterly from its intersection with Marlborough-street, bounded on the south by Cleveland-street, bearing easterly 14ft. 6in., on the east by a line bearing northerly and passing partly through the centre of a wall, in all 98ft., to a lane, on the north by the said lane bearing westerly 14ft., and on the west by a line bearing southerly, and passing partly through the centre of a wall, in all 98ft., to the point of commencement, being part of the land in Certificate of Title, dated 25th August, 1873, Reg. vol. 165, folio 81.

Subject to a mortgage from defendant to J. T. Neal to secure the sum of £161, and interest at 8 per cent, dated 19th August, 1896, Reg. No. 288,285. Terms, Cash.

C. E. B. MAYBURY, Sheriff.

J. W. ABIGAIL, Plaintiff's Attorney, 97 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

In the Supreme Court of New South Wales. Sheriff's Office, Sydney, 27th April, 1903.

H. N. COLLINS v. SIMONS, W. E.

ON FRIDAY, the 29th day of May, 1903, at noon, unless the Writ of Fieri Facias herein be previously satisfied, the Sheriff will cause to be sold by public auction, at the Saleroom, Supreme Court, Sydney, All the Right, Title, and Interest of William E. Simons, the defendant herein, of, in, and to all that the Equity of Redemption and all other the right, title, and interest (if any) which he is entitled under and by virtue of the will of Mary Sparke, late of Lankelly-terrace, Macleay-street, Sydney, who died on 24th September, 1881. The will is dated 21st August, 1878, and probate of same was granted to W. E. Sparke and W. B. Walford on 24th October, 1881.

Subject to a mortgage to the City Mutual Life Assurance Society, Limited, for £250, dated 9th January, 1899, Reg. No. 199, Book 705. Terms, Cash.

C. E. B. MAYBURY, Sheriff.

A. W. GARDNER, Plaintiff's Attorney, 150 King-street, Sydney.

ARTARMON ESTATE, First Sale Next SAT. Terms. Torrens. Lithos. R. and W., Ltd.

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN BROWNE, late of Singleton, in the State of New South Wales, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Accounts in the above estate for the year one thousand nine hundred and two have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me, at my said office, on or before the fourth day of June, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law; and notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the trustees. Dated this twenty-seventh day of April, 1903. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. MINTER, SIMPSON, and CO., Proctors.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicils of SIMON GORDON, Senior, late of Lochiel, near Pambula, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament and Codicils of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ROBERT BOOTH, of Lochiel, near Pambula aforesaid, Farmer, and JOHN JOSEPH SMITH, of Walonia, in the said State, Farmer, the Executors in the said Will named; and all notices may be served at the office of Messrs. RAWLINSON and HAMILTON, Solicitors, Moore-street, Sydney; or of the undersigned. RAWLINSON and BLAND, Proctors for Executors, Bega. By RAWLINSON and HAMILTON, their Agents, Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of EDWARD HENRY RAWLINSON, late of Rose-street, Annandale, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to HARRIETT RAWLINSON, of Rose-street, Annandale, aforesaid, the Widow of the said deceased and sole executrix named in the said Will; and all claims must be rendered to the office of the undersigned within fourteen days from the publication hereof; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. SIDNEY JOHN BULL, Proctor for Executrix, Temple-court, King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of EMILY SUSANNAH LOVE, late of Concord-road, Concord, in the State of New South Wales, Spinster, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM COLES, of Colesville, Church-street, Concord, in the said State, Gentleman, the sole Executor named in the said Will; and all persons having any claims against the said estate are required to send particulars thereof to, and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. H. C. ELLISON RICH, Proctor for the Executor, Bligh-chambers, 10 Bligh-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JOSIAH WENBORN, late of Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Jeweller, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration de bonis non of the estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to SYDNEY WENBORN and CLEMENT WENBORN, two of the sons of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. And all Creditors are requested to send in their claims to the undersigned. FITZHARDINGE, SON, and HOUSTON, Proctors for the Applicants, 62 Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of MARY ESTHER WENBORN, late of Paddington, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to SYDNEY WENBORN and CLEMENT WENBORN, two of the sons of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. And all Creditors are requested to send in their claims to the undersigned. FITZHARDINGE, SON, and HOUSTON, Proctors for the Applicant, 62 Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JOHN BAILEY, late of Bega, in the State of New South Wales, Labourer, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Letters of Administration de bonis non of the estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLES BAILEY, a son of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at the office of Messrs. RAWLINSON and HAMILTON, Solicitors, Moore-street, Sydney, or of the undersigned. RAWLINSON and BLAND, Proctors for Applicant, Bega. By RAWLINSON and HAMILTON, their Agents, Moore-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ANDREW WINTER, late of Belmore, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ESTHER WINTER (in the said Will called HESTER WINTER), the Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned, to whom all creditors are hereby requested to send particulars of their claims against the estate of the said deceased. KERSHAW, MATTHEWS, and LANE, Proctors for the Executrix, 62 Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of MARY MORSE, late of Rockdale, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM MORSE, ARTHUR MORSE, and ELIZABETH ROGER, the Executors and Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the offices of the undersigned. DEANE and DEANE, Proctors for the Executors and Executrix, Deane-chambers, 33 Rowe-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate (with the Will annexed) of MARY LANGAN, late of Ballina, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration (with the said annexed) durante minore aetate of the estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to EDWARD CREEGAN, of Ballina aforesaid, Storekeeper, the elected Guardian of the children of the said deceased. J. R. STOCKS, Proctor for Applicant, Ballina. By C. T. POOLE, his Agent, Kensington-chambers, 108 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN O'CONNELL, the Elder, late of Wilcannia, in the State of New South Wales, Storekeeper, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to KATE O'CONNELL, the Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the office of VALENTINE HENRY MILLARD, Reid-street, Wilcannia. VALENTINE HENRY MILLARD, Proctor, Wilcannia. By SPARKE and ANGUS, 113 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate and Effects of ROBERT WATT, late of 188 Harris-street, Ultimo, Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Grocer's Manager, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Letters of Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to LIZZIE WATT, the Widow of the said deceased. And all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. CHARLES MACLEAY BOYCE, Proctor for the Applicant, 169 King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS STONE, late of South Hay, in the State of New South Wales, Carpenter, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to EMILY WRIGHT, of Hay aforesaid, the Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the offices of Messrs. PIGOTT and STINSON, 28 Castlereagh-street, Sydney. ALEXANDER and WINDEYER, Proctors for the Executrix, Riverina-chambers, Hay.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ROBERT GRAHAM, late of Reedy Creek, near Queanbeyan, in the State of New South Wales, Farmer, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to EDITH GRAHAM, the sole Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. ARUNDEL HILL GARRAWAY, Proctor for Executrix, Queanbeyan. By his Agents, METCALFE and DANCAR, 30 Bligh-street, Sydney.

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HORSES AND VEHICLES.

NOTICE.—To Stockowners.—Wanted to take in on AGISTMENT, from 100 to 300 head, splendid grass and water. For terms and particulars apply R. HENNESSEY, Comleroy-road.

FOR every description of BUGGIES, SULKIES, Sociables, Dog and Spring Carts, Express Waggons, Harness and Saddlery, inspect M'NAMARA'S, 157 Castlereagh-street.

SULKY, Pony, Har., £12; Van, Horse, Har., £16; Dbl.-seated Buggy, £7; Vil. Cart, Har., £9; Tipdrays, Wag., hood, brake; Gro. Cart, Horse, Har., £10; 4 S'dr'ys, Bradley Cart, £6; Van, Horse, Rst., £8. 181 C'reagh-st.

BUGGY LAMPS, just landed, 5s 9d pair. Brandt Bros., Lampmakers, 236 Pitt-st.

LARGE stock of high-class VEHICLES. Dwyer's, of Wollongong, and 144 King-st., Newtown. Tel., 294.

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A COVERED WAGGON for SALE, at less than half cost; also, 2 Carts. 728 Illawarra-rd., Marrickville.

STYLISH 4-wheel BROUGHAM, leather hood, built by Hassing and Son, must sell. 113 Cowper-st., Wav.

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FINE upstanding black HORSE suit any work. Apply after 1 o'clock, 126 Glebe-st., Glebe.

A SPLENDID hooded SULKY, almost new. Hit or Miss Hotel, Windmill-st., Dawes Point.

SELL cheap, reliable Bay MARE, any trial, good; Plumber's Boxcart. 623 George-st.

A PHAETON for SALE. Wyarow, 11 Carlton-crescent, Summer Hill.

SPRING VAN and Harness, carry ton. Apply Allen, wood and coal yard, Harris-st., Ultimo.

FOR SALE, PONY, Sulky, and Harness, no further use, a bargain. 163 Victoria-st., Lewisham.

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SULKY, nearly new, £5, or Exchange for a Cart. 99 Elswick-st., Leichhardt.

FOR SALE, strong ½ VAN, cheap. 92 Excelsior-st., Leichhardt.

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FOURTEEN-HANDS Pony Sulky Turnout, or Sulky and Harness wanted. 8 Newtown-rd., city.

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FOR SALE, HORSE, Sulky, and Harness, must sell, no dealers. 100 Regent-st., city.

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FOR SALE, good SPRINGCART, Horse, and Harness, must sell, £10. 89 Botany-rd., Waterloo.

FOR SALE, two 11hd. PONIES, Sulkies, and Harn., very quiet, child manage. 139 Young-st., A'dale.

WANTED, 4 Metal CARTS, must be good. At 7 o'clock this morning, on Blackwattle Wharf.

WANTED, Horse, suit wood-coal cart, staunch, trial. Silver-st., Sydenham-rd., M'kville. Geo. Anderson.

WANTED to Buy, 4 or 5 'Bus HORSES, must be good and cheap. Tilley, Denison-st., Woollahra.

WANTED to Purchase, Traveller's TURNOUT, with work. Buyer, Crown-st. P.O.

WANTED to Buy, HORSE and Sulky, about £10. Apply, with turnout, S. Marks, 7 Holt-st., Surry H.

WANTED, Buggy HORSE, good, sound, quiet, trial required, no dealers. Partics., price, Box 976, G.P.O.

ZYCLYNE.—Handy for cleaning outside of painted houses as well as inside. Tins 1s. Try it, all stores.

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STOCK, SHARES, AND MONEY.

WE NEVER REFUSE AN ADVANCE OF MONEY to any responsible person on all Classes of Security.

AUSTRALIAN EQUITABLE INVESTMENTS COMPANY, Limited, formerly HENRY TAIT and COMPANY, Limited, 45 Elizabeth-street only, between King and Hunter streets.

NOTE. NOTE. NOTE. This is the Best Place to Borrow Money in Sydney. Lowest Interest.

WHY PAY EXORBITANT INTEREST when you can obtain a Loan on Furniture or any reasonable security from £10 to £500, my charge being £2 FOR EVERY £10 ADVANCED, Repayable in TWELVE MONTHS? So do not be misled by flattering advertisements offering cheap money, but apply to me and I will positively make you an advance, also pay off any existing Loan, at the above rate. NO FINES, &c., CHARGED. GEORGE WILLIS, 178 PHILLIP-STREET, near King-street, city.

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Our new Mortgage Deed contains a condition allowing borrowers the privilege of repaying up to 20 per cent. of the Loan during any year without notice or payment of any fine.

Directors: Thos. Littlejohn, Esq., Chairman; the Hon. A.W. Meeks, M.L.C., Deputy-chairman; Benjamin Short, Esq., Senator J. T. Walker, James Burns, Esq., the Hon. R. J. Black, M.L.C., F. E. Winchcombe, Esq., M.P. General Manager and Actuary, R. TEECE, F.I.A., F.F.A., F.S.S. ROBERT B. CAMERON, Secretary. Head Office—87 Pitt-street, Sydney.

STRICTLY PRIVATE ADVANCES ON ANY REASONABLE SECURITY at 186 CASTLEREAGH-STREET, corner of Park-street. Low Rates. Fair Treatment. ARTHUR ELWYN, Manager, late of 118-120 Market-street.

SPECIAL NOTE.—A private entrance through vestibule next door (No. 37 Park-street) is now available, thus affording absolute privacy.

WE ADVANCE MONEY UPON ALL CLASSES OF SECURITY. LOWEST INTEREST—EASY TERMS. N.S.W. MONT DE PIETE COY., Ltd., SEVENTY-FOUR CASTLEREAGH-STREET, 74. EUSTACE BENNETT, General Manager. This Company was formed to suppress usury.

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Are you entitled to Money or Property in England, the colonies, or elsewhere, either at once or on the death of a relative or friend?

If so, turn your interest into cash by calling on us. We are prepared to buy right out, or lend the amount you require. All communications strictly confidential. B. MURRAY and CO., 37 Elizabeth-street, between King and Hunter streets, Sydney.

MONEY LENT IN TWO HOURS ON FURNITURE, DEEDS OF LAND, &c. BUSINESS STRICTLY PRIVATE. NO COSTS FOR MORTGAGES OR INSPECTION. Call or write to T. MITCHELL, 13 Castlereagh-street, near Hunter-street.

IT WILL PAY YOU TO call upon or send to C. EVANS, 46 Elizabeth-street, between King and Hunter streets, who will LEND you quickly from £10 up to £200 or £500 on Pianos, Furniture, &c., and will charge you only £2 FOR EVERY £10 LENT, repayable by instalments in TWELVE MONTHS, and will also pay off any existing loan.

STARTLING ANNOUNCEMENT. GREAT REDUCTION IN INTEREST.

READ THIS.—I Lend £5 for 25s, £10 for £2, £15 for £3, and £20 for £4. Call and see for yourself. On P.Ns., Furniture without possession, or any security. Easy repayments. Strictest privacy. D. KRON, 105 King-street, 2 doors from Pitt-street.

LOANS WITHOUT DELAY. Strictly Private LOANS from £3 and upwards on Furniture (without possession), Deeds, Personal or any Security. No Fees or Fines. Easy Repayments. J. BLOOM, 118 corner Bathurst and Castlereagh sts.

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MONEY on Furniture and approved security, without removal. W. Berkman, 395 King-st., Nta. T., 378 N.

A. J.S., E S A. Bank, &c., Deposits Bought. J. B. North and Son, sharebrokers, Yaralla-ch., 109 Pitt-st.

TRUST MONEYS to LEND, no commission charged. H. G. DAVEY, Conveyancer, 76 Pitt-st.

TRUST FUNDS to LEND on Mortgage. Read and Read, solicitors, 133 King-st.

MONEY to Lend, any sums, on city, sub., ctry. properties, lowest rates. D. P. Middleton, 93 Pitt-st.

WANTED, LOAN, £12, security, privately. Verax, P.O., Oxford-st., city.

WANTED Borrow, £175, W.B. cottage, good suburb, Torrens, current rates; principals only. Alpha, Herald.

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TENDERS.

ARTISTS and PAINTERS.—If you want best quality Goods for Lowest Cost buy from JAMES SANDY and CO., 271 and 330 George-street.

ARCHITECTS.—We can supply N.S.W. MARBLE in various tints for Mural Decorations, Columns, and Mantelpieces. Sole agents for Mintaro Slate. Tel., 2793. CREAK and FORD, 195 George-street W.

ASPHALT, TRINIDAD, the best of all, laid by experienced men. Patent Asphaltum Co., Druitt-st.

BUILDERS and General Ironmongery.—A cheap line Transome Lifts. Macintosh and Sons, 307 Pitt-st.

BRICKWORK, also Plumbing work, for 7 cottages. A. H. Packer, Salisbury-st. and Durham-st., Stanmore.

CORPORATION OF SYDNEY. TENDERS will be received by the undersigned until 1 o'clock p.m. on TUESDAY, the 12th May proximo, for the Supply of 50,000 TRACHYTE or BLUESTONE CUBE SETTS for paving work in the city.

Specification may be seen at the office of the City Surveyor.

W. G. LAYTON, Acting Town Clerk.

Town Hall, Sydney, 28th April, 1903.

CARPENTERS.—Tenders for Flooring, Lining, and small roof, labour only. 145 Norton-st., Leichhardt.

DRAINERS.—TENDERS wanted to Connect to Sewer New Terrace Houses, New South Head-road, at cable tram terminus. Plans on job.

DAMPCOURSE, pure Bitumen, portable rolls, cheaper, better than tmn. or slates. Asphaltum Co., Druitt-st.

DRAINERS.—PRICE, labour. Connecting New Cottage, Raglan-st., Mosman.

GALVANISED Corrugated Roofing Iron, new and sound, 3½d per foot. Charles Campbell, 287 Clarence-st.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF DONALD CAMERON and ALBERT JONES, trading as Cameron and Jones, Storekeepers, Coutts Crossing, near Grafton.

TENDERS are invited for the undernoted assets in the above estate, and will be received at my office until noon on THURSDAY, the 7th MAY:—

LOT 1.—STOCK-IN-TRADE AND PLANT—

General Drapery	£501	0	8	
Boots and Shoes	142	1	0	
Ironmongery and Glassware	147	11	2	
Grocery and Patent Medicines	166	3	1	
	959	15	11	
Plant, Live Stock, &c.	386	1	0	
				£1,345 16 11

Note.—The above includes nine horses.

LOT 2.—BOOK DEBTS—

Estimated good	402	15	5	
Estimated doubtful and bad	416	0	0	
				818 15 5
				£2,164 12 4

This business is offered for absolute sale by tender as a going concern in order to enable the purchaser to have the benefit of the valuable connection the business has acquired. Coutts Crossing, situated as it is near Grafton, is the centre of a prosperous community, and therefore holds out every prospect of success to a business man with a reasonable amount of capital.

Tenders will be received for each lot separately or for the whole conjointly. The usual 10 per cent. conditions. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Stocksheets may be seen and all information obtained on the premises or at my office.

ALBERT BORCHARD, F.S.I.A., Incorporated Accountant, Equitable-buildings, George-street.

Sydney, 18th April, 1903.

MONSTER Auction Sale Building Material.—Duxford House, Suffolk-st., Paddington.—Rubble and Clean-chiselled Stone, Flagging, Cedar Doors and Windows, Joists, Scantlings, &c., Thursday, 30th April, at 11.

ROOFING FELT, 75ft. x 32in., best Belfast make, per roll 1s 6d. R. A. Hervey, Clarence and King sts.

SLATES.—Best Purple Bangor and American, Cement, Plaster. G. T. Cross, 193 Cumberland-st. Tel., 4105.

TENDERS CLOSE at noon TO-DAY for about 20 tons sea-damaged Copra, ex Volador, from Rotumah. Apply immediately for all particulars. JOHN WILLIAMS, Broker, 19 Macquarie-place.

TENDERS to Connect six Cottages to Sewer, with labour and materials or labour only. Apply bet. 1 and 4 o'clock, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, Mr. TURNER, Rocherin, Amherst-street, North Sydney.

TENDERS for Brickwork of large Cottage, labour only. Plans, &c., at 145 Norton-st., Leichhardt.

TENDERS for Brick Piers and Chimney, l. o. Corner of Terrace and Canterbury rds., Dulh. H., bt. 9 and 12.

TENDERS for Excavating Trenches and Concreting. Broughton and Beresford rds., Homebush. J. Waugh.

TENDERS wanted Connect Sewer to Cottage. W. Brooks, Windsor, Gerald-st., Marrickville.

TENDERS for Bricklaying, labour only. Job corner Kingston-rd. and Trade-st., Newtown.

TENDERS required for Additions to Dwelling. Apply J. Lander, 7 Norman-st., Rozelle.

TENDERS are wanted to Build 4-roomed Brick Cottage. Apply Y. Z., Post-office, Manly.

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TENDERS.

TENDERS are invited till May 4th for undermentioned work:—

1. Painting Exterior Lord Jersey Hotel, Castlereagh-street South.
2. Painting Exterior Town and Country Hotel, Edgeware-road, St. Peters.
3. Painting Interior and Exterior of Royal Hotel, Enfield.

Specifications can be seen at the office of the Australian Brewery and Wine and Spirit Co., Limited, Bourke-street, Waterloo.

TENDERS invited for Wood and Iron Building till 29th instant. Plan and specification can be seen on application to FAZAKERLEY and SHEPHERD, Bay-street, Botany.

TENDERS close on 29th, at 7 p.m., for Removing about 1500 Cubic Yards Soil and Stone at Pennant Hills Quarry. Specification to be seen at R. TREVETHAN'S, Dundas.

TENDERS wanted for Plastering New 6-roomed House, labour only. Specifications on job, next Ferndale, Waverley-road, Woollahra.

TENDERS wanted Connecting Cottage with Sewer, Victoria-rd., M'ville. S. Bourke, produce store.

TENDERS Carpenter's and Joiner's Work of 4 Cottages, Cardigan-st., Kingston. J. Baker.

TENDERS Kalsomining 5 Rooms, Kitchen, and Ceilings. L. Gibbs, c.o. Mr. Lane, Fern-st., Randwick.

TENDERS to Fall and Grub out Trees, also to Cut and Pack Turf. Streatfield, 205 Pitt-st.

THE CAMPBELL Gas and Oil Engines are simplest, cheapest, best. R. A. Hervey, cr. Clarence-King sts.

TO Carpenters.—TENDERS wanted for Laying Floor, Cottage, Luff-st., Rockdale. Apply on job.

TO House Removers and Others.—Tenders for Removal 3 Rooms W.B., Mosman to N. Sh. 187 Oxf.-st., D'hst.

TO Bricklayers.—TENDERS wanted brickwork; pair Cottages, l. o. M'Gee, Fernleigh, Sydenham-rd., Mr'v.

WANTED, Tenders for Brickwork, labour only. Apply College Hotel, Camperdown.

WANTED, TENDERS for Connecting Closets with Sewer. Arnott's Biscuit Factory, Parramatta-road, Forest Lodge.

WANTED, TENDERS for Painting six Houses. Apply Ethsm Estate, Darling Point.

SLATES, Slates, Slates.—20 x 10 best American Blue and Green, just landed, at lowest; Fire Lumps, Oven Tiles, Fire Bricks; Slate Nails, Baths, and Sinks. G. E. CRANE and SONS, Pitt-street, Circular Quay.

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BUSINESSES FOR SALE OR WANTED.

P. V. RYAN and CO., Agents, 8 Post Office-ch., 114A Pitt-st., opp. G.P.O., Sydney. Telephone, 3020.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, premier city corner, lease 10 yrs., rent £10, pays mer. £400 monthly for goods, £1450.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, western sub., lease 15 years, rent £8, draws 8 x 36 xxx wk., pays £160 month, £650.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, Waverley, rent £3 10s, tkgs. £35 wk., beautiful home, well-known house, £400.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, city, suit man c'try connec., rent £5s, 7 years' lease, bar £30 weekly, £225. 114A Pitt-st.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, main thoroughfare, Redfern, easy rent, capable great improvement, £25 weekly, £130.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, city, free house, lease 10 yrs., tkgs. £70 wk., £1400, terms if req., great chance.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, sub., near large works, 14 yrs. at £4, average beer trade 7 x 36's wk., all bar, £600.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, lately renovated throughout, 21 yrs. lease at £3, draws 4 x 36 xxx, full price £325.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, sub., adjoining railway works, 7 yrs. lease, tkgs. £40, in tip top order, £350.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, city, main position, all bar trade, proof takings £3000 per annum, £2500.

P. V. RYAN.—Hotel, S. Coast, good lease, rent £2, well fur., takings £25 week, free, £260.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, city, lease 11 yrs., low rent, £225, £38 weekly, bargain. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, 25 miles from Sydney, free, full price £400, proof trade. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, city, railway station, same family 12 years, trade £30 weekly, £350.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Glebe, £720, draws 6 x 54 xxx weekly, takings £60. 106 King-st.

JOSEPH and CO.—Hotel, Circular Quay, £350 cash, large seafaring trade, wants seeing. 106 King-st.

BOARDING-HOUSE, Wynyard-square, 20 rooms, low rent, hand omely furnished, good supply slats, linen, high-class connection, same hands 14 years, 19 boarders, £450, easy terms. JOSEPH and CO., 106 King-street.

LODGING-HOUSE, 10 rms., rent 21s, nicely furnished, clearing £2 11s weekly, gift, £80. Joseph and Co.

MILK RUN, 40 gallons daily, trial given, 2 horses, 2 carts, plant, £110. Joseph and Co.

HAM, BEEF, Smallgoods, Poultry, position A1, takings £17 weekly, easy rent, handsomely fitted, attractive shop, computing scales, marble fittings, ice-chest, piano, bargain, £80. JOSEPH and CO., 106 King-street.

GENERAL Carter and Contractor's Business, suburban, clear profits £8 weekly, trial, £400. Joseph and Co.

BUTCHER'S, 4 bodies, 45 sheep, sundries, cash, horse, cart, computing scales, plant, £45. Joseph and Co.

TEA and Luncheon Rooms, heart city, first-class trade, trial, suit lady, £60. Joseph and Co.

JOSEPH and CO., Business Agents, est. 1886. Largest Register Businesses and Boarding-houses. 106 King-st.

BOARDING-HOUSE, Superior City Establishment of 18 handsomely furn. rms., 18 constant boarders at good prices, £175, half cash. GEO. THOMAS and CO., 58 Elizabeth-street.

BOARDING-HOUSE, Darlinghurst. A very select and beautifully conducted establishment, 10 well-appointed rooms, full best cl. bdrs., £110. GEO. THOMAS and CO.

BOARDING and LODGING HOUSE, Well-known City House. Accommodation for 60. Weekly cash receipts £50, well furn. and found, £190. GEO. THOMAS and CO., 58 Elizabeth-street.

HAIRDRESSER'S and Tobac., populous suburb, well-fitted shop and saloon, 2 lounge chairs, mirrors, showcases, nice stock, good residence, trade £15, £50, inc. stock. GEO. THOMAS and CO., 58 Elizabeth-street.

HAM and BEEF, SMALLGOODS, &c. Old-estd. sound business weekly takings £30, well fitted, computing scales, &c.; good dwelling, rent 20s, sure living, £45. GEO. THOMAS and CO., 58 Elizabeth-st.

PASTRY, LUNCHEONS, TEAS, &c. Well-fitted and old-estd. business in main thoroughfare, marble tables, gas stove, excel. inventory, trade £30, price £80. GEO. THOMAS and CO., 58 Elizabeth-street.

RESIDENTIAL Chambers, best city pos., 15 well furn. rooms, £170. Fergus and Co., 84 Elizabeth-st.

LODGING-HOUSE, city, 28 rs., beds 1s, net profits £5 week, £125 cash. Fergus and Co., 84 Elizabeth-st.

WINE SALOON, city, good dwell., every proof of trade, £75. Fergus and Co., 84 Elizabeth-st.

FRUIT, CONFY., Oxford-st., rent 25s, takings £13 week, £40. Fergus and Co., 84 Elizabeth-st.

LAUNDRY Oxford-st., horse and cart good plant, rent 20s, £60. Fergus and Co., 84 Elizabeth-st.

TEA ROOMS, Conf., Paddington, handsomely fitted, sound bus., £120. Fergus and Co., 84 Elizabeth-st.

LEE and CO. have BEST CLASS of BUSINESSES in market for SALE.—Country General STORE, thriving town, turnover £2000, about £500. 114A Pitt-street.

SMALL Grocery and General Store, railway sub., £10, g'will and stock, v.l., about £80. Lee, 114A Pitt-st.

STATIONERY, Library, and Confectionery Bus., main st., bargain. Lee and Co., 114A Pitt-st.

TO LET (bonus £3), Grocery and Gen. Store, first-class pos., rent £1 10s, can do £60 wk. Lee, 114A Pitt-st.

WOOD and Coal, good dwel., yard, stables, horse, van, rent 17s, with stock £45. Kitt and Co., 38 Eliz.-st.

BUTCHERING Bus., splendid stand, est. years, books open for inspection, £200. Kitt and Co., 38 Eliz.-st.

HAIRDRESSING, Tobac., shop, 3 rms., kit., 2 chairs, well stocked, rent 15s, £25. Kitt and Co., 38 Eliz.-st.

BOARDING-HOUSE, 6 rms., kit., near power-house, rent £1, full price £40. Kitt and Co., 38 Eliz.-st.

GROCERY and Gen. Store, shop, dwelling, estab. 27 years, st ck £40, price £45. Kitt and Co., 38 Eliz.-st.

FOUNDRY, city, with plant and large workshop, ground 76 x 28, rt. 17s, let off 5s, £80. Kitt and Co., 38 Eliz.-st.

BOILING-DOWN and Skin Business, plant, house, cart, old estab., £150. Kitt and Co., 38 Elizabeth-st.

OWEN and CO., 40 Castlereagh-st., opp. Australia Hotel.—Lodg.-house, 10 rs., 12 ldgrs., Wm.-st., £110.

SUPERIOR BOARDING-HOUSE, Darlinghurst, 30 rooms, 25 perm. boarders; this is exceptionally well furnished, having wardrobes in all rooms, splendid plate, owner taking other business will sacri. £450. Owen and Co.

PASTRY, Confect., and Tea Rooms, an exceptionally first-class business, handsomely fitted and stocked, takings £12, proof; this business wants no puffing, only wants inspection, will speak for itself, £80. Owen and Co.

FRUIT and G. G., main st., takings £25 cash, splend. fit., incl. horse and cart, any trial, £85. Owen and Co.

BUTCHERY, doing sound bus., e. shop, incl. 2 horses, 2 carts, icehouse, and plant, £150. Owen and Co.

HAIRDRESSER'S and Tobacc., tak., sal. £4, shop £10, incl. 2 chairs, mirrors, abt. £20, stk. £35. Owen.

WOOD and Coal, doing £90, close saleyard, no haulage, incl. 2 horses, 2 carts, £45. Owen and Co.

OWEN and CO., 40 Castlereagh-st.—Grocery, doing £50 cash, can have any trial, absolute bargain.

FOR SALE, General STORE, absolutely cash business, turnover before drought £28,000 year, now £16,000 and increasing, stock at cost, buildings main street, optional purchase or lease, owner retiring. Correspondence invited. BRIGGS and CO., Auctioneers, Mt. Morgan, Queensland.

FOR SALE, Country GENERAL STORE, stock about £100, horse, cart, sulky, buggy, dwelling, fully furnished, including piano, 1 acre ground, broad run, good connection; splendid chance energetic couple. No agents. Federal, Mulgoa.

GENERAL STORE, 17 miles of Sydney, stock about £450, trade about £40 week, rent 20s wk., ill-health only reason for selling. T. M. HALL and CO., Ltd., 20 York-street.

DRAPERY BUSINESS for SALE, in best suburb, two large windows, good residence, six rooms, &c., stock about £500, rent 21s; business good; satisfactory reasons for selling. Draper, Herald Office.

FOR SALE, snug Manufacturing BUSINESS, in South Australia, established 1886, account owner's ill-health; principals only. Apply F. B. HUGHES, Chief-street, Brompton, S.A.

TEA and LUNCHEON ROOMS, absolutely best part of Pitt-street, well fitted throughout, never yet changed hands, owner ill and must sell immediately; price £120, or offer: any trial given. Apply Torchon, Herald Office.

FOR SALE, a Stationery and Fancy Goods BUSINESS, situated in best part of King-street, Newtown. Apply to A. MAERKER, c.o. Messrs. Feldheim, Gotthelf, and Co., Barrack-street.

CONFECTIONERY, Drinks, Pastry, &c., main street, double-fronted shop, 6 rooms, nice dwelling, rent 14s, a good little business, price £20. T. J. G., Box 426, G.P.O.

NEWS AGENCY, Stationery, Fancy Goods, at Pub. school, 5 rms., rent 16s, £50. X. Y. Z., P.O., Edge f.

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HOTEL, 15 yrs.' lease, rent £2 5s, full price £465, any brewer will adv. £300. Newell, Herald, King-st.

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HOTEL, opp. new station, tkgs. £35-40, rent £3	£520
HOTEL, Castlereagh-street, rent £2, tkgs. £50 week	£800
HOTEL, Circular Quay, free house, new lease	£500
HOTEL, King-st., 11 yrs. at low rental, £150 week	£1000
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HOTEL, Freehold, West suburb, tkgs. £30	£1000
HOTEL, seaside resort, rent £2	£325
HOTEL, Sussex-street, corner, big business	£200
HOTEL, suburbs, rent £6, tkgs. £150	£2500
HOTEL, railway junction, rent £3	£150
HOTEL, Petersham, proof beer trade, 7 x 54	£1100
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WARDEN, Hoffnung's-chambers, 163 Pitt-st., next to G.P.O.

WARDEN, 163 Pitt-st.—Hotel, city, rent £3, at present averaging 7 x 36's week, £350.

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H. S. PIEREMONT.—Hotel, city, cor., 8 yrs., rent 30s, draws 4 x 54's week, suit couple starting, £180.

H. S. PIEREMONT.—Hotel, main traffic corner, well-furn., rent 55s, takings, £30 week, full price £350.

H. S. PIEREMONT.—Hotel, workman's house, 8 x 36's wk., rent £3, every proof given, £225, gift.

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THE TRIFLER.

BY ARCHIBALD EYRE.

CHAPTER XXII.

MOLLY RETURNS.

I pass over with few words the trouble we had that night with Milly's aunt. I have no doubt she was an estimable old lady, though she insisted on regarding me as a wicked young man, which is an awkward and embarrassing role to fill. I do not think we treated her with much tact. Milly introduced me in a somewhat casual way as Mr. Fred Trewint.

"I have heard of you," the old lady said severely.

I expressed my gratification, though the old lady's expression indicated that what she had heard was not entirely favourable. Probably she had studied the local papers at the time of the election.

It was not conciliatory of Milly—but she was obviously preoccupied—to announce briefly that she was leaving for England the next morning, in my company. The old lady's face was a study.

"A word with you alone, Millicent," she said, and led the way with great stateliness to another department. When Milly joined me later she was in a state of amused exasperation.

"The dear old thing wants to come and chaperone you—or is it me?" she said. "I have had great difficulty in making her change her mind. However, I have promised to take her maid."

We left the next morning and travelled through to London without stopping. I could have wished the maid had remained behind, for her presence was somewhat a bar to our mutual confidences. However, we were able to discuss, at considerable length, our course of action.

"I shall go straight on to Sanquhar," Milly declared.

"But you can't go on living there for ever," I objected. "What is to be your next step?"

Milly gave a little shrug. "I suppose I must see father and arrange something."

"I'll tell you what, Milly," I said with sudden inspiration, "why shouldn't you and Molly stay with my sister-in-law?"

Milly stared at me. "I don't think that would be pleasant," she replied frankly.

"Perhaps not; but won't it help?"

Milly looked at me thoughtfully. "I have been thinking how very injudicious it was of Molly to disappear just at this time. I expect it has made things ever so much worse."

"Why shouldn't we pretend that she has been with my sister-in-law the whole time?"

Milly came over slowly to my view. "But what will Lady Trewint say? Perhaps she won't like it. In fact, I am sure she won't. You must remember that Molly, from her own account, has been cut by everyone, including Lady Trewint."

"That will be all right," I answered confidently. "To tell the truth, Mabel is to blame for the whole affair. It was in helping her I first incurred Trefusis' enmity——" I stopped rather abruptly.

"Was she the person for whom you 'burgled' Mr. Trefusis' rooms?" asked Milly guilelessly.

I looked at her in a startled kind of way. "I am afraid you know too much!"

"Seriously," said Milly, "I hardly like to put this burden on Lady Trewint. Of course, I realise how much her protection would mean to Molly, but——"

"Let me see Mabel, at any rate," I interposed. "Before I left town I wrote and told her the truth about the matter. I don't suppose she had received this letter when she met Molly. I expect to find her very eager to do all she can."

"Well, you must promise not to press her," said Milly.

When we reached London there was only time for Milly to catch the night express for Scotland. The maid I despatched back to Caux.

I wrote a line that night to Mabel to say I should call at eleven the following morning. I knew Mabel well enough to recognise the wisdom of warning her before making a morning visit. The next morning when I called she received me, in a becoming teagown, with effusion.

"Oh, my dear Fred!" she cried, as I entered the room, "what agony of mind you have caused us!"

"Very sorry," I answered, nodding to Gerald, who was present.

"And where the devil have you been?" asked my brother, not returning my salutation.

"Oh, I had to run over to Caux."

"A nice kettle of fish you left behind you," he growled.

"Did I? You must remember I know nothing."

"Oh, Fred," Mabel broke in, "do, do tell us everything! Where is that Telby girl? She didn't run away with you, did she?"

"Bless me, no," I exclaimed, astonished.

"People have been saying all kinds of things," said Mabel. "Mr. Telby has absolutely no restraint, and he has let everyone know the girl has run away. Some say she went with you, and some say she is hiding till Mr. Trefusis is well enough to leave the hospital, and some declare she has committed suicide! Oh, my dear Fred, there never was such a muddle!"

Gerald eyed me sternly. "I know as a fact that you nearly killed Trefusis. A day or two ago the rumour ran through the clubs that he had died, and that a warrant was out for your arrest. I am not a nervous man, but I confess the news alarmed me. I rushed over to the Home Office to see the Home Secretary. Luckily he was able to reassure me, but I spent a very unpleasant quarter of an hour."

"I am very sorry."

"But where is the girl?" persisted Mabel. "Do you know?"

"Oh, yes; I know."

"Where is she?" they cried together. "Where has she been all this time?"

"All this time," I replied solemnly, "she has been under this roof."

They were silent in astonishment for a moment, and then Gerald burst into one of his paroxysms of abuse.

"As foolishly and feebly flippant as ever," he exclaimed, "although even at the moment the hangman's noose is round your neck. Frederick, you are incurable. Pray leave me."

"Not till he has told us everything!" cried his wife. "Now, Fred, dear, do be serious. Tell us everything right from the beginning. I received your letter, asking me to circulate that very thin story about Miss Telby being inveigled by a trick, and I have tried to do so. Frankly, it hasn't caught on. People say 'What trick?' and I have no answer."

"I know," I answered moodily. "That is what they would say. We must find out why she went there. It is our weak point not to know."

"Won't the girl explain the trick, if there was one?" asked Gerald.

"No."

"Hum." There was no difficulty in interpreting the expression on his face. "Fred, my lad, you've had a narrow escape."

I rose. "Gerald," I said solemnly, "you are utterly wrong. Miss Telby is as pure as our mother or your wife."

Gerald rubbed his nose dubiously. "Maybe, but circumstances——"

"I know all about that," I interposed impatiently. "And I want your assistance in explaining them. After all, you are chiefly to blame. I don't know what Mr. Telby and you thought you had arranged between you, but I am pretty sure these rumours of my engagement to Molly would not have been so persistent if you had not encouraged them."

Gerald seemed embarrassed. "It would have been an excellent match if she had only——"

"Possibly," I said, "but that is not the point. These rumours led Trefusis to injure her reputation in order to damage me."

My brother screwed up his face. "This story of revenge sounds very 'cock and bull,'" he replied. "Why should Trefusis want to injure you?"

"There were reasons," I replied evasively, aware that Mabel was in a state of nervous tension. "For one thing, we came into conflict at the election."

"Oh, of course," said my brother, "you hired some roughs to duck him."

"I did nothing of the kind," I cried with indignation; "though I know he thought I did."

"The same thing," replied my brother. "Well, no doubt, that would not dispose him favourably towards you. Your story is that he decoyed the lady he thought you were going to marry to his rooms, and revealed her suddenly, under compromising circumstances, to a crowd of drunken young men, in order to destroy her reputation and so revenge himself on you?"

"Yes," I replied. "These are the facts."

"Rather an elaborate reprisal for a simple duckling, eh?"

"Trefusis is not an ordinary man," I answered, "and he had other reasons for hating me—reasons which I can't go into."

My brother shut one eye. "I suppose that means you quarrelled over some woman," he said coarsely. "Well, well, if that's the story, we must make the best of it for want of a better."

"Why did she run away?" asked Mabel. "That was so foolish of her."

"Her father—struck her."

Both Gerald and his wife were shocked.

"Confounded brute!" cried Gerald.

Mabel put her handkerchief to her eyes. "Oh, the poor child!"

"So she went to a little town in Scotland, and there she still is," I continued. "I rushed over to Caux to fetch her sister. We came back last night, and she has gone on to Scotland to join her sister."

"You are taking a great interest in the matter," observed Gerald, regarding me curiously. "I hope you are not 'gone' on the girl after all."

"Not in the least."

"I'm glad of that," he said, more cheerfully. "Well, what do you want us to do?"

I paused a moment. "I want Mabel to telegraph to Miss Telby, inviting her and her sister to come and stay here."

"Impossible," said Gerald unhesitatingly.

Mabel was silent, and I regarded her anxiously.

"Remember," I said in a low voice, "Molly has suffered for me."

Mabel came to a sudden resolution. "Why, most certainly," she replied. "I shall be most delighted if they will come here."

"Will you send a telegram?" I went to her writing-desk.

"Why, look here," expostulated Gerald, "I won't have this."

I handed Mabel a telegram form and a pencil without a word.

"You want her to come at once?" asked Mabel.

"Of course."

"I understand." She scribbled some words and handed me the paper. "Will that do?"

I nodded, and added the address. "May I ring the bell?" I asked, and rang it without waiting for a reply.

"Am I a cipher?" protested Gerald.

The footman appeared. I handed him the telegram. "Let that go off at once," I said.

To be continued.

OUR NEW STORY.

On Saturday next, May 2, we shall begin the publication of our new serial story, "The Wings of the Morning," by Louis Tracy.

POLICE COURTS.

THEFT OF OVERCOATS.

At the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. C. N. Payten, S.M., Alfred Benson, 22, ship's steward, was charged with having stolen an overcoat, valued at £6, the property of F. W. Orr, of Macleay-street, on April 18, and another, valued at £7, belonging to Thomas Henry Holdship, of Elizabeth Bay. The evidence showed that accused had stolen the coats while they were hanging in the hall at the places mentioned. He was subsequently arrested after pawning one of them in William-street. He was ordered to be imprisoned for three months on each charge, the sentences to be cumulative.

CHARGE OF GRIEVOUS BODILY HARM.

A cook named Robert Bell, 26, was committed for trial at the Water Police Court yesterday on a charge of having maliciously inflicted grievous bodily harm on Ada Bell on April 19. It was stated accused struck his wife and inflicted a compound fracture of the jaw, for which she was afterwards treated at the Sydney Hospital. Bail was allowed in the sum of £40.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Charles Henry Wilson, 32, boot-clicker, was charged at the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, S.M., with attempting to steal from a man whose name was unknown on April 26. He was seen at 2 a.m. on the date named in company with another to go into Hyde Park and sit down beside a drunken man, who called out, "Police! thieves!" A policeman gave chase and captured the accused, but the second man got away. The accused was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions on June 1.

BREACH OF THE LIQUOR ACT.

In the Summons Division of the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., Inspector Bell proceeded against Augustus Chisholm, licensee of the Freemasons' Hotel, Castlereagh-street, on an information charging him with selling liquor at unlawful hours. The evidence showed that a man was seen through a window, at half-past 5 o'clock one morning, being served with liquor. A fine of £2, with costs added, was imposed, in default 14 days' imprisonment.

CHARGES OF STEALING.

Arthur Robinson, 18, and Collins Fletcher, 15, were charged at the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. W. M. Macfarlane, S.M., with in company stealing a hat, valued at 9s, the property of Denis M'Namara, at Sydney, on April 10. The prosecutor gave evidence to the effect that his hat was snatched off his head as he was passing close to the wall opposite the Cyclorama, George-street, near the railway station. The hat was traced to the possession of the lads. Each of the accused was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

JUMPING ON MOVING TRAMS.

In the Summons Division of the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., Tramway Inspector W. S. Wigg proceeded against five persons on informations charging them with jumping on tram cars whilst they were in motion. Each of the defendants was fined 2s 6d, with 5s 6d costs added.

CRUELLY ILLTREATING A HORSE.

In the Summons Division of the Central Police Court yesterday, before Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., Sub-inspector Sherwood proceeded on information against Alfred Samuels, charging him with cruelly illtreating a horse. The evidence showed that defendant was driving a van loaded with chaff, and was belabouring the horse with a club about 18in. long and as thick as a man's arm. The defendant was fined £2, in default 14 days' imprisonment.

"THE DRUNKS' TRAIN."

At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., two young men, named Herbert Allworth, of Marrickville, and Henry Houghton, of Petersham, appeared to answer charges of having misconducted themselves whilst passengers by a suburban train which left Sydney for Parramatta at midnight on Saturday, March 21. Each of the accused was charged with having interfered with the comfort of the passengers. One of the passengers complained that water had been thrown over him. Houghton was also charged with having maliciously destroyed a water-bottle and tumbler by throwing the same out of the carriage window; and Allworth was charged with having used highly insulting words to an officer of the railways. Both accused pleaded guilty to all charges made against them. The inspector conducting the case intimated that this train was generally termed "the drunks' train," and that the railway authorities desired that examples should be made of all offenders, as the comfort of respectable citizens whose business compelled them to travel by this train was often interfered with. The magistrate said the conduct of the defendants was that of well-dressed blackguards, and even though they travelled by a train which evidently went under the name of "the drunks' train," they would not be allowed to carry on as they thought fit. For interfering with the comfort of the passengers each defendant was fined £2 and costs, in default imprisonment for one month. Houghton for breaking the water-bottle was fined an additional amount of 10s, with 3s value of the bottle, and 5s 6d costs of court, in default imprisonment for seven days. Allworth for using insulting language to the railway officer was fined £1, and 7s 4d costs, in default imprisonment for seven days.

ILLEGAL USE OF WATER.

At the Newtown Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., John Evans, of Norwood-street, Petersham, was charged with having wilfully caused a watercock to be so used that water supplied by the board to him (the defendant) was misused. Defendant, who was throwing water over walks by means of buckets, was fined £1, and 7s 4d costs, in default imprisonment for seven days. Also, for having used water for other than domestic purposes, the same defendant was further fined £1, and 5s 6d costs, in default imprisonment for seven days. At the same court Herbert Smith, for having extended a service communicating with the water pipes of the Water and Sewerage Department without a permit from the board, was fined £1, with costs added, in default imprisonment for seven days. Alfred James Jessep, of Marrickville, was charged with having in use at his residence a water cistern which was not made according to a model and plan approved by the Water and Sewerage Board, and which was short of capacity and had no overflow, with a result that water might unobserved be wasted. He was fined 10s and costs, in default imprisonment for three days.

CENTRAL LICENSING COURT.

The weekly sitting of the Central Licensing Court was held yesterday. Mr. E. H. Wilshire, S.M., presided.

The following transfers of publicans' licenses were granted:—Frederic C. Williams to Patrick Meade, Crown Hotel, Ultimo; John J. Harris to William Relf, Golden Crown Hotel, Darlington.

"A side street off Piccadilly" is a clue vague and intangible enough, and it is not surprising that Cardinal Manning, with nothing else to go upon, failed to discover the house in which Monsignor Pecci, now Pope Leo XIII., lodged when he was in London on a brief holiday some 57 years ago at the close of his term of office as Papal Nuncio in Brussels (says the "Westminster Gazette"). It is a pity that the house cannot be identified. A tablet bearing the inscription "Pope Leo XIII. lived here" would be an interesting addition to our street memorials, and a companion to the Peter the Great tablet in Buckingham-street, Strand, and the one perpetuating the residence of Napoleon III. in King-street, St. James's.

LAW REPORT.

MONDAY, APRIL 26.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, Chief Judge in Equity.)

DISPUTED OWNERSHIP OF LAND.

Curren v. Coleman.

Mr. R. K. Manning, instructed by Mr. J. A. B. Cahill, appeared for the plaintiff (Patrick Curren), and Mr. Gordon and Mr. Harvey, instructed by Messrs. Makinson and Plunkett, for the defendant (Thomas Coleman). In this suit the plaintiff applied for an order declaring him to be the owner of a certain piece of land known as lot 41 Gordon Heights Estate, Gordon, alleged to have been purchased by him from Mrs. Plasto on September 20, 1899, and he further applied for an order directing the removal of the caveat which had been filed by him respecting the title to the land. The defendant alleged that he had purchased from the Sheriff Mrs. Plasto's right, title, and interest in the land, and he further disputed the sale alleged to have taken place by Mrs. Plasto to plaintiff.

The case stands part heard.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

(Before the Registrar.)

Probate has been granted with respect to the wills of the following deceased persons:—John Flack, John Buckley, Matilda H. Blair, Robert E. Boden, Robert Cort, Ebenezer V. Cooper, John B. Casley, Michael Canty, Richard Druce, Ann M. Fraser, Thomas S. Furniss, Owen Fox, Thomas Hall, Sarah Heaver, Cecilia Hardesty, John Harris, George Jennings, Charles Laing, Robert Lee, John M'Ferran, Agnes Middleton, Elizabeth Nugent, William Nixon, Thomas W. Nicholl, Hannah Parsons, Catherine Quigley, Sam Smith, Thomas A. Smith, Ellen Simpson, Mary Steele, Robinson Walters, Harry Whittaker.

Letters of administration of the following estates have also been issued:—Henry Bland, James Chatman, Samuel W. Cook, Mary A. Cadell, Daniel F. Donoghue, John C. Freund, Jane Faulkener, Daniel Flanagan, Isabella Glasgow, Thomas J. Higgin, Frederick William Lundy, Jane Mollison, Mary E. M'Hugh, Benjamin O'Brien, Joseph O'Brien, George O'Neill, James Reynolds, Margaret Sharr.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar, Mr. Arthur Henry.)

CREDITORS' PETITIONS.

Hill, Clark, and Co. v. John Byrnes. Mr. Roxburgh appeared for the petitioning creditors, and moved for an order of sequestration. Respondent did not appear. The order was made, and Mr. Palmer was appointed official assignee.

Jane Edwards v. estate of Harriet M'Whirter. Mr. Asher appeared for the petitioner, and upon his application an adjournment to May 25 was granted, as a settlement was anticipated through a realisation of assets.

SINGLE MEETINGS.

Re Frederick Field. This meeting and the examination under section 30 were adjourned till May 11 next.

Re Henry Edgar Meyer. Bankrupt did not appear, and on the application of the official assignee the meeting was adjourned to May 13 at Taree.

Re Henry Stephens. The bankrupt was present, and was examined by Mr. Rich, solicitor for the official assignee. The meeting was then adjourned to May 11.

SEQUESTRATION.

Leslie Watts, of Church-street, Parramatta, labourer. Mr. L. T. Lloyd, official assignee.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.

(Before Mr. Justice Cohen (President) and Messrs. W. D. Cruickshank and S. Smith.)

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT.

Illawarra Collieries Employees' Association v. Sellors.

Mr. Ritchie appeared for the claimant union, and moved under the 29th clause of the award, for an order upon A. E. O. Sellors, manager of the South Bulli mine, directing him to reinstate and re-employ Thomas Drury, Leonard Barton, Joseph Rigby, and James Richards, as hewers of coal, on the ground that they had been improperly and illegally discharged by him from the mine. Mr. Wade, instructed by Messrs. Curtiss and Barry, appeared for respondent to oppose the application.

The evidence on behalf of the claimants that the men were forced to leave by gas was concluded last week, and evidence was now called on behalf of the respondent to show that the men named were discharged because they knocked off work before the time was up, and that there was no justification for their doing so, as their working places had been reported well ventilated and with no appreciable trace of gas, and there was no other reason for their leaving before the usual time. It was pointed out that rule 56 provided: "No person shall absent himself from work without first obtaining permission from the manager, except in case of sickness or upon sufficient cause shown;" and rule 59 provided that any person who should violate or infringe any of the rules should be liable to dismissal. The four men were away from their working places at 12.30 instead of 2 o'clock. Mr. Wade also contended that the fact that the men did not report the presence of gas, as it was their duty to do if it was detected in the workings in a dangerous quantity, was evidence that such a cause for leaving before their time did not exist. Things, he said, were no better since the award than they were before. Although the award directed that every back Saturday the men should work until 2 o'clock the output was only 16 tons in excess of what it was at South Bulli when the men went out at 12.30. If, however, the Court found that the men had been dismissed without reasonable cause, he submitted as a matter of law that they could claim no damages for any loss they had sustained.

The President said the Court had already decided that it could not give damages for wrongful dismissal except, perhaps, in a roundabout way by inflicting a penalty and directing that it should be apportioned among the men affected. The miners, however, could sue for damages in another jurisdiction.

It was contended on the other hand by Mr. Ritchie that there was abundant evidence that there was gas in the workings to a dangerous extent. Rule 18 provided that every workman employed in the mine must immediately report to the person in charge of the working the existence of choke damp, fire damp, &c., and no miner must incur any risk of danger, but when such arises he must immediately withdraw from the mine. He submitted that the Court would find that the evidence given by Drury, who had worked in the mine for years was correct, and that not only was there gas in the mine to a dangerous extent, but that he reported its existence before he went out. The course taken by Drury, who was admitted to be a good workman and one who had never violated the rules of the mine, was the only one he could adopt for his own safety, and the same argument applied to the other complainants.

The Court reserved judgment.

THE DISPUTE IN THE SOUTHERN COLLIERIES.

QUESTION OF MINERS' WAGES.

COURT'S MODUS VIVENDI ACCEPTED.

Illawarra Collieries' Employees' Association v. Southern Collieries' Association.

Mr. B. E. O'Connor, K.C., and Mr. Delohery, instructed by Mr. A. A. Lysaght, appeared for the claimant association; and Mr. Wade, instructed by Messrs. Curtiss and Barry, for the respondent association. This matter, which was an application to the Court to reopen the question as to the hewing rate to be paid to the miners consequent upon the finding of the accountant appointed by the Court to ascertain the selling price of coal for six months previously, was before the Court during the early part of last week. It was then adjourned by the Court to enable the parties to consider a suggested modus vivendi, and it now came on again. It appeared that the accountant having made his investigation brought out the selling price of coal for the previous six months at a little under 8s 2d, and this on the sliding scale adopted by the Court in its award brought out the rate of pay at 2s 4d instead of 2s 6d per ton for best screened coal, and 1s 8d per ton instead of 1s 9½d for shovel-filled or unscreened coal. This reduction in the hewing rate was, it was admitted, not in the contemplation of the Court or the parties either.

Mr. Wade said that, in accordance with the suggestion thrown out by the Court, the Southern Colliery proprietors held a meeting and considered the question as thoroughly as they could under the circumstances, and unless some very good cause was shown they protested against the matter being reopened at all. They had loyally abided by the award of the Court, and the miners should also do so. The Court had said that there should be no alteration in the hewing rate, as far as the past six months were concerned, and the owners felt it to be their duty to help the Court as far as they possibly could. They were prepared to yield to the intention of the Court that there should be no disturbance with the hewing rate for the first six months of the year, and that it should be left as it was for the whole of the year, but that there should be an extension of the operation of the award for 12 months from the end of the present year. The Court could then fix the rate to be paid from January 1 of next year, and that would mean that an account would be taken on January 1 next, and whatever the selling price was from June to December that would regulate the hewing rate for the coming year. As to the desire of the other side to exclude from the computation the sales between owners, the latter were also prepared to make that concession. Further than that, they did not feel inclined to go. They were willing to hold their hands for the remainder of the year and get the award into operation at the beginning of next year, and that would remove any uneasiness on the part of the claimants, while it would offer some guarantee that work in the future would proceed harmoniously and without uncertainty.

After discussion the parties accepted the following suggestion as the basis of an order to be drawn up:—That for the purposes of this award the actual selling price mentioned in clause 3, namely, 9s, was to be taken for the half-year from January 1 to June 30, and that there should be no alteration in the wages to be paid during the current half-year. As soon as practicable after September 30 the Court would decide the factors to be considered in fixing the actual selling price mentioned in clause 3. Respondents were willing to exclude any sales between owners and siding sales, but otherwise all sales to be taken into account, including sales at Pyrmont jetties. The award to be extended for 12 months, and the Court in estimating the selling price to be at liberty to call such evidence as it might require.

The President warmly congratulated the parties upon the arrangement arrived at, and expressed a hope that it would remove the unhappy friction which seemed unfortunately to have existed in the Southern district between mine-owners and their employees, and fix their relations upon a permanently amicable basis.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

(Before Judge Backhouse.)

Mr. Herbert Harris, Crown Prosecutor.

ALLEGED HORSE-STEALING.

Alfred Edwards, aged about 27, Herbert Sharp, 17, and Michael Calahan, about 17, were arraigned on three charges—(1) Stealing a gelding, the property of G. H. Rogers, at Canterbury on March 7; (2) stealing a gelding, the property of H. Andrews, at Ashfield on March 7; and (3) breaking and entering the dwelling of the Rev. F. R. Elder at Enfield on March 13. To all the charges Edwards pleaded not guilty, and was remanded for trial. The other accused, Sharp and Calahan, pleaded guilty to the three charges, and were remanded for sentence.

STEALING CLOTHING.

Joseph Patrick Shann, who said that he was a soldier who had deserted, pleaded guilty to having on June 8, 1902, at Sydney, in the dwelling of Benjamin Long, stolen several articles of clothing, the property of D. B. Atkins and H. Howarth. He was remanded for sentence.

BREAKING AND ENTERING.

George Murray, a diminutive lad, whose age was given as 17, but who looked no more than 13, pleaded guilty to having on January 26, at Newtown, broken and entered the dwelling of Richard Ryder, and stolen £2 17s 6d therein. He was remanded for sentence.

STEALING IN A DWELLING.

Charles Parker, an elderly man, pleaded guilty to having, on March 27, at Corrimal, in the dwelling of C. H. E. Smith, stolen articles valued at over £5. Prisoner's record, which was read, showed that in 1874, for forgery and uttering, he was sentenced to imprisonment for three years. In 1877, for forging bank notes and plates and for stealing, he was sentenced to seven years' labour on the roads. In 1883, for forging bank notes, he received a sentence of three years' hard labour; and shortly after he regained his liberty he was, for a similar crime and for the possession of bank plates, sent to penal servitude for 14 years. He was free again in 1894 and was convicted of forgery and uttering and sent to prison for two years. In 1896 his criminal career was checked again by a sentence of five years' penal servitude. Parker said that since his last release he had made an effort to obtain honest employment, but as soon as he seemed to be getting his head above water his old career would submerge him, and he would lose his employment. He could not successfully fight his past. His Honor said that if it could be shown to him that prisoner had made a determined effort to work since his release from gaol he would not take his previous record into account. He recognised that it was extremely hard for a man who had been so often convicted to pull himself together and find people who would look over his past. Prisoner was remanded for sentence.

HORSE-STEALING.

George Richardson, a coloured youth, pleaded guilty to stealing a gelding, the property of Thomas Ball, on March 10, at Bulli Mountain, and was remanded for sentence.

The Court adjourned to Tuesday.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Tuesday, April 28.

In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Perpetual Trustee Company v. Kelly, for judgment; Perpetual Trustee Company v. Fox, to be mentioned; re A. R. Ayres and others, infants, summons for appointment of guardian and for maintenance; Martin v. Martin, summons to confirm decree. At 11 a.m.: Curren v. Coleman (part heard); Ward v. Landes, further consideration.

Master's Office.—At 10 a.m.: Company and Lunacy matters. At 12 noon: Perkins v. Williams, to settle minutes of order; same v. same, to settle minutes of decree. At 12.30 p.m.: Langdon v. Felstead, to settle supplemental certificate. At 2 p.m.: Lester v. Craig, to settle minutes of decree. At 2.30 p.m.: Minister for Public Works and M'Donald, to settle minutes of order. At 3 p.m.: Evans v. Evans, to settle bond; Minister for Works and Jobbins, to settle minutes of order.

Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Re G. D. Arney and R. P. Act, to settle minutes of order; re S. A. Smith and R. P. Act, to settle minutes of order. At 12 noon: Re will of William M'Kenzie, deceased, and Trustee Act, to settle minutes of order. At 2 p.m.: Wilkinson v. Wilkinson, to tax costs.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Deputy Registrar (to pass accounts).—William Wilson, 10; Thomas Pearce, 10.30; Francis H. Holman, 10.45; Sarah Carrington, 11.30; James Wilson, 11.45; John F. Cambage, 12.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—At 11 a.m.: Re James Cecil Rankin, application for certificate; re George Edward Wicks, motion section 61. Single meetings: John Henry Lovett, Louis Dare. Re Sydney Thomas Callaway, motion for release of estate. Re John James Amess, public examination. Examinations section 30: John William Cockerill, Louis Dare, August Gorling. Before the Chief Clerk in Bankruptcy. At 10.15 a.m.: Re the estate of Thomas Moran, deceased, taxation of official assignee's costs. At 10.30 a.m.: Re Sadler Brothers, taxation of petitioning creditors' costs.

COURT OF ARBITRATION.

No. 4 Court, Supreme Courthouse, King-street, Sydney. Before the President.

At 10 a.m.—For judgment: In the matter of the application of the United Labourers' Protective Society for the cancellation of the registration of the Builders' Labourers' Union of N.S.W. Before the President and Members.—For judgment: Journeymen Coopers' Society of N.S.W., industrial union of employees, v. Vacuum Oil Company, respondent; in the matter of the application of the Wood and Basil Workers' Association of N.S.W., industrial union of employees, for an order giving leave to bring proceedings under section 35 of the Industrial Arbitration Act, 1901, against William Magarth, of Emu Plains, woolscourer; the Eskbank Iron Workers' Association of Mill and Forge Workers, industrial union of employees, claimant, and William Sandford, Limited, industrial union of employers, respondent, application for injunction.

DISTRICT COURT.—Tuesday, April 28.

Before the Deputy Registrar, in No. 2 Court.—Board of Water Supply and Sewerage v. Kennedy, 10.30; same v. Blair, 10.40; same v. Walters, 10.50; same v. Brunwin, 11; same v. Hamilton, 11.10; same v. Liddell, 11.20; same v. Weaber, 11.30; same v. Cochrane, 11.40.

SYDNEY QUARTER SESSIONS.

Cases for to-day:—Alfred Edwards and others, horse-stealing; Alfred Edwards and others, house-breaking; Walter Mercer, uttering counterfeit coin; Jeremiah M'Carthy, burglary; James Carney, horse-stealing and larceny; John Brown, false pretences; John Walker, house-breaking and stealing.

HORSE-RACING AND GAMBLING.

SERMON BY THE REV. W. H. BEALE.

Preaching at the Paddington Methodist Church on Sunday night the Rev. W. H. Beale (ex-president of the Methodist Conference) dealt with the evils surrounding horse racing and gambling. Basing his discourse on the words, "By their fruits ye shall know them," the preacher said the text had a universal application, both as to the individual and institutions. He proposed applying it to one particular institution in which they were all directly or indirectly practically concerned. Up to recently Sydney had been avoided as a plague stricken city by the aristocracy, Federal Ministers and others. Yet they had during the past few days the Commonwealth and State Governors, most of the Federal Ministers, and other leading persons thronging Sydney, so much so that a stranger arriving here with no knowledge of current events would form the conclusion that Sydney had become the federal capital. The secret of it all was that a few horses were being run at the Randwick races. The text he had chosen applied to the sporting world, which had recently received a shock by the discovery of an alleged fraud at Newcastle. Supposing the worst that was feared in connection with this case was proved, he said it would be mere affectation to express surprise. It was what might be expected from a system of fraud, and was the worst fruit of the system. Some argued in favour of horseracing. The most important argument in its favour was that it improved the breed of horses. He was not an expert in horses and horseracing, but on the authority of experts he said racing was not essential to the improvement of horsebreeding. If the argument were either true or false, if horseracing improved the breed of horses, the whole horse industry had better perish than that it should be maintained at the expense of men. Their duty was to breed men, not horses.

Mr. Beale referred also to recreations and sport. These, he considered, took too prominent a place in the social life, even when not tainted with horse racing. If they took away from horse racing the book making and gambling habits racing would cease. So that the basic principle of the whole thing was the gambling propensities. The preacher quoted from the "Contemporary Review" and Goldwin Smith in order to show the chicanery and frauds that ran through the horse racing business. He classed men into three divisions, viz., working men, beggar men, and robbers, and asked where they should place those who lived on the credulity and ignorance of those who were duped of their money?

Concluding, the preacher said they were not to look to legislation to abolish the evil—it would avail but little. Moral evils were not suppressed by physical force. Nothing but public opinion that regarded the events aright would avail, and it became a serious and practical thing for the Church. The Church should purge itself of all that had a tendency to raffles, lotteries, and art unions. The effective remedy, he said, was the exhaltation of Christ by likeness and fruit.

MANLY WATER AND SEWERAGE RATES.

The following figures have been supplied to the Manly Council which is endeavouring to obtain a reduction in the present rates of 1s and 9d respectively charged by the board:—Revenue from water rates for one year ending December, 1902, £2621 9s 1d; maintenance and expenses, £1355 9s 5d; interest at 3 per cent. on loan, £38,120, £1334; debit balance, £68 0s 4d; revenue from sewerage rates, £1609 0s 8d; maintenance and expenses, £312 14s 2d; interest on loan, £22,134 at 3½ per cent., £774; credit balance, £522 6s 6d. Taking the two services together there was for the period named a net credit of £454 6s 2d.

Some good prices were fetched at Sotheby's for some old English coins. An Edward III. gold noble sold for £8 17s 6d, while three other nobles of the same period realised £15 10s. For a Reading penny £3 18s was given, for a pattern groat £3 16s, and for a half-groat £2 10s. A London penny fetched £5.

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SPORTING.

THE TURF.

The following are the scratchings for the two principal events in connection with the Young Turf Club races on April 29 and 30:—Boonery, Dunmore, The Snail, Headsman, Berwick for both events, leaving 10 in the T.C. Handicap and 9 in the Town Plate.

The right to charge for admission at the outside gates at the May Meeting of the Sydney Turf Club, at Randwick, will be submitted for sale by auction at noon to-morrow by Messrs. William Inglis and Son.

Morias, Meta M'Carthy, Tirrass, and Tirade have left New Zealand for England, where they will carry Mr. Spencer H. Gollan's colours.

Torchon, by Albemarle from Real Lace, has been purchased by Mr. L. H. Dariot, of Western Australia, where the mare is to be raced.

Reports last evening from St. Vincent's Hospital stated that there was no improvement in the condition of the jockey, W. Aspden, who was riding Cimmaron when he fell at Randwick. There is little hope held out of the jockey's recovery.

Entries close at 5 p.m. to-day with the secretary, Mr. E. G. James, for the pony and galloway races to be held at Forest Lodge on Thursday next. The programme will be found in the business portion of the paper.

Mr. M. P. B. Christian has registered with the A.J.C. the name Valadium for his yearling colt by Russley from Crystaline.

Sloth II. has been scratched for all engagements in connection with the Sydney Turf Club's May meeting.

Orphan Boy and Agna arrived at Adelaide from Western Australia yesterday to fulfil their autumn engagements.

Bookmakers not registered for the course plying their calling at the meeting of the Half-holiday Racing Club at Forest Lodge to-morrow must apply to the Forest Lodge office for registration to-day.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Rosebery Park to-day, the first event starting at 2.20 p.m. Special trams will leave Bent-street at 12.55 and 1.12 p.m.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Kensington on Wednesday, May 6, and entries for the different events close with the secretary, Mr. P. O'Mara, at 5 p.m., on Friday next. The card appears in the business sheets.

For the half-dozen events to be run at the Canterbury Park May meeting 103 nominations were received yesterday.

Messrs. Wm. Inglis and Son offer for sale by auction, at their City Bazaar, at 12 o'clock to-day, the racing pony Tommy G., a gelding by Chesham, Robin, by Dosey Boy, and Victory (full brother to Robin).

FOREST LODGE PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

The pony and galloway races held at Forest Lodge yesterday were well attended. Appended are the results:—

Novice Handicap (all horses), 5½f.—G. Petts' Boobie, by Ulric, 8st 2lb (W. Hutton), 1; Every Monday 7st 5lb, 2; Friendship, 8st 2lb, 3. Six started. Betting: 5 to 4 on Friendship, 2 to 1 v. Boobie, 4 to 1 v. Every Monday. Won by a head. Time, 47s.

Fourteen-two Handicap, 5f.—W. Hart ns. Nil Desperandum, by Trinard, 8st 12lb (W. Dale), 1; Mallie Hickey, 8st 6lb, 2; The Novice, 9st 8lb, 3. Only three started. Betting: 2 to 1 on Nil Desperandum, 4 to 1 bar one. Won by three lengths. Time, 1m. 7s.

Thirteen-three Welter Handicap, 5½f.—H. Brown's Barcarolle, by Carlyle, 7st 7lb (G. Woodburn), 1; Mystery II., 8st 9lb, 2; Ruth, 8st 2lb, 3. Five started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Ruth, 2 to 1 v. Vena, 4 to 1 v. Biddy, 5 to 1 v. others. Won by a length and a half. Time, 49s.

Forest Lodge Handicap (all horses), 4f.—M. Anderson's Box, by Zulu—Fly, 8st 2lb (J. Handcock), 1; Kohine, 8st 12lb, 2; Sunflower, 8st 2lb, 3. Eight started. Betting: 6 to 4 each v. Kohine and Box, 4 to 1 v. Sunflower. Won by two lengths. Time, 1m. 6¼s.

Fourteen-one Handicap, 4f.—G. Petts' Rockleigh, by Brockleigh, 8st 8lb (W. Hutton), 1; Miss Oracle, 8st 4lb, 2; The Novice, 10st 6lb, 3. Five started. Betting: 6 to 4 each v. Miss Oracle, The Novice, 4 to 1 each v. Rockleigh and Every Monday, 10 to 1 v. Friendship. Won by four lengths. Time, 61¼s.

NEW SOUTH WALES TROTTING CLUB.

SHAKESPEARE WINS THE PRINCIPAL EVENT.

Another successful meeting of the N.S.W. Trotting Club was held at Kensington on Saturday. The weather was fine, but a cold wind was blowing; nevertheless there was a good attendance and a profit will result to the club.

In the Opening Handicap Plain G., who was on the limit, won all the way. Rebel Boy was made favourite, but he broke up badly. Lord Bobs was made favourite for the Handicap Maiden Trot, but the race was won easily by Come-by-Chance, a long-striding gelding by Tempest. Victor shaped well in the event, and though he trotted in his best style he was unequal when it came to a finish with the winner. One of the most interesting races seen for some time was the Kensington Handicap. Shakespeare, who is a fine-looking specimen of the American trotter, was made an odds-on favourite; but Martin brought St. John up the straight so fast that it took Shakespeare all he knew to keep in front, and only a head divided the two of them as they passed the winning post. St. John trotted very well after being caught, and put in a far better finish than it was generally thought he was capable of. Joe trotted better than he has for some time, and is evidently improving. In the Pony Trot a thickset gelding named Nellie Gray, from Melbourne, about 12.2 hands, trotted in fine style, and led for most of the way; but Cymro, ably ridden by Batt, had too much pace for him. Major Taylor, an aspirant for Metropolitan honours, also shaped well, but is not yet at his best. A surprise was effected in the Trotting Club Handicap. Swift Boy, who came at a great rate from the rear, was alongside Cornwall at the grand stand, but the latter then stepped out in his best style for the remaining seven furlongs. Cornwall made the pace too solid for Swift Boy, and after covering about four furlongs together the latter began to drop back. A protest was lodged against the winner for inconsistent form, but was dismissed on the grounds of being frivolous and the deposit forfeited. Cornwall only recently came into Batt's hands, and he has done a great deal with him. He has got the horse to strike his gait. Hitherto Cornwall has had a reputation of doing good track work and bad public performances, but no fault could be found with him yesterday, as the time shows. It was Batt's day out, for he rode the winners of two races, and second in another race during the day. The owner of Olive was find £1 for late scratching in the Pony Handicap, and the owner of Rebel Boy £1 for a similar offence in the Kensington Handicap. H. Smedly was censured for his driving of Miss Harold in the Kensington Handicap, while C. Warden, the driver of Myrtle in the same event, was cautioned to be more careful in the future. The explanation of the driver of Levant in the Pony Handicap was accepted as satisfactory. G. Donaldson, the driver of Narragansett in the Pony Handicap, was brought before the stewards for starting before his time, and was cautioned that a repetition of the offence would lead to his disqualification. Appended are the details of the racing:—

Opening Handicap Trot of 15 sovs., second 2 sovs., 18s. limit, 1m.—Mr. E. Gabriel's b g Plain G., by Chieftain, 4 years, 3s. behind (S. Braddoch), 1; Mr. G. A. Church's b g Huon Leigh, aged, 12s. behind (owner), 2; Mr. G. M. Slate's b m Juliette, aged, 11s. behind (owner), 3. Other starters: Jingo, 3s. behind; Princess, 5s.; Rebel Boy, 10s.; Nimblefoot, 14s. and 8½lb over; Harold B, 16s; Mummell Boy, 18s. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Rebel Boy, 3 to 1 v. Plain G., 4 to 1 v. Juliette, 5 to 1 v. others. Won by 25 lengths, three lengths between second and third. Time, 1m. 41½s.

Handicap Maiden Trot of 10 sovs., for horses that have never won an advertised trotting race, 15s. limit, 1½m.—Mr. S. J. Small's ch g Come-by-Chance, by Tempest, aged, 4s. behind (owner), 1; Mr. A. Pointing's b g Victor, 4 years, 3s. behind (F. Batt), 2; Mr. W. H. Nichol's gr m Grey Kola, 3s. behind (A. Grant), 3. Other starters: Pop, 2s. behind; Danger, 4s.; Neva, 5s.; Redford Duke, 7s.; Lord Bobs, 15s. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Lord Bobs, 5 to 2 v. Come-by-Chance, 3 to 1 v. Victor, 4 to 1 v. Redford Duke, 5 to 1 v. Grey Kola. Won by 12 lengths, 15 lengths between second and third. Time, 4m. 10½s.

Kensington Handicap of 20 sovs., second 2 sovs., 36s. limit, 2m.—Mr. W. J. Bryan's b h Shakespeare, by Era—Fright, aged, 9s. behind (owner), 1; Mr. R. Beckett's b g St. John, 6 years, 8s. (W. Martin), 2; Mr. T. Farley's b g Joe, 6 years, 9s. (owner), 3. Other starters: Sailor, 8s.; Lord Bobs, 4s.; Paddy, 5s.; Myrtle, 6s.; Miss Harold, 7s.; Uranus, 24s.; Nimblefoot, 28s. Betting: 7 to 4 on Shakespeare, 4 to 1 v. Joe, 8 to 1 v. St. John, 10 to 1 v. Lord Bobs and others. Won by a head, 10 lengths between second and third. Time, 5m. 31½s.

Pony Handicap Trot (14.0) of 10 sovs., 1m.—Mr. F. G. Geddes's cr g Cymro, by Trafalgar Joe—Kate, aged, 10s. behind (F. Batt), 1; Mr. R. Delander's br g Major Taylor (late Eral), 5 years, 10s. (W. Martin), 2; Mr. T. Morris's gr g Little Grey, aged, scratch (C. Dargin), 3. Other starters: Poet, 1s. behind; Austral Boy, 3s.; Levant, 5s.; Rusty, 7s.; Star Harold, 7s.; Hard Up, 10s.; Sailor Boy II., 14s.; Narragansett, 18s. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Major Taylor, 5 to 2 v. Little Grey, 4 to 1 v. Levant, 6 to 1 v. Cymro. Won by four lengths, six lengths between second and third. Time, 2m. 56½s.

Trotting Club Handicap of 15 sovs., second 2 sovs., for horses that have never won a race better than a 2.50 basis, 15s. limit, 1½m.—Mr. F. Batt's ch g Cornwall, by Rebel Childe—Jessie, 6 years or aged, 1s. behind (owner), 1; Mr. R. Beckett's ch g Swift Boy, 6 years (W. Martin), 2; Mr. M. J. Water's b m Miss Tuxie, 4 years, 7s. behind (M. Tierney), 3. Other starters: Jerry, 6s. behind and 56lb over weight; Darwin, 7s.; Black Bess, 9s.; Milly B., 10s. and 20lb over; Lord Bobs, 12s. Betting: Even money on Swift Boy, 4 to 1 v. Darwin, 5 to 1 each v. Black Bess and Cornwall. Won by six lengths, seven lengths between second and third. Time, 4m. 4s.

MOONEY VALLEY RACES.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

A race meeting was held at Moonee Valley this afternoon in dull, threatening weather. The attendance was fairly large, while the programme provided interesting sport. Subjoined are the details:—

Hurdle Race, 2m.—So and So, by Frying Pan—Shining Light, 9st 13lb (O'Brien), 1; Royal Error, 10st 3lb (Gillies), 2; Buller, 9st 5lb (Williamson), 3. Other starter: Burrabari. Betting: Even money on So and So, 6 to 4 v. Royal Error, 5 to 1 v. Burrabari, 10 to 1 v. Buller. Won by a head. Buller was a bad third, while Burrabari did not finish. Time, 4m. 8s.

Maiden Plate, 5f.—Newmarket, by Newmarket, 6st 5lb (Bailey), 1; Cornerman, 6st 5lb (Ross), 2; Nimbus, 6st 5lb (Bennett), 3. Other starters: Master Key, Kernal, Cherry Port, Portia, Shot Gun, Miss Pilgrim. Betting: 7 to 4 on Newmarket, 6 to 1 v. Portia, 7 to 1 v. Cornerman, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by half a length from Cornerman. Nimbus was six lengths off, third, Cherry Port and Portia next, with Shot Gun last. Time, 1m. 9¼s.

Welter Handicap, 6f.—Waihi, 7st 10lb (R. Lewis), 1; Viceroy, 8st 9lb (P. King), 2; Atonement, 7st 7lb (Bailey), 3. Other starters: Footway, Naomi, Vesperus, Aria, Louie, Platinum, Marka, Black Beauty, Leroy. Betting: 7 to 2 v. Waihi, 4 to 1 v. Naomi, 5 to 1 v. Footway, 6 to 1 each v. Viceroy and Leroy, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by a length. Atonement was three lengths off third, Footway, Naomi, and Leroy were last. Time, 1m. 31s.

Jumpers' Flat Race, 1m. and 3f.—Burranee, by Gozo—Jenny Wren, 8st 1lb (Redfern), 1; Quod, 8st 7lb (Lewis), 2; Reflector, 9st 13lb (Deeble), 3. Other starters: Examiner, Missing Link, Tara, Burrabari, Regent, Valentine. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Burranee, 7 to 2 v. Examiner, 5 to 1 v. Quod, 8 to 1 v. Reflector, 10 to 1 v. others. Won in a canter by 12 lengths from Quod. Reflector was 10 lengths off, third, Valentine and Tara next, with Burrabari last. Time, 2m. 38½s.

Trial Handicap, 6f.—Fetter, by Padlock—Lady Dalhousie, 7st (M'Donald), 1; Cantala, 7st 4lb (Dean), 2; Lance, 8st 2lb (Day), 3. Other starters: Golden Queen, Rely, Balancer, Hasty Locks, Rude Rose, Oceana, Mollusc, Veluck. Betting: 4 to 1 v. Balancer, 5 to 1 each v. Lance and Mollusc, 6 to 1 v. Cantala, 8 to 1 v. Fetter, 10 to 1 v. others. Won easily by two lengths. Lance was six lengths off, third, Hasty Locks and Mollusc next, with Rely last. Time, 1m. 24s.

Valley Handicap 8½f.—Undecided, by Tostig—Excelsior, 7st 11lb (King), 1; Matong, 7st 5lb (Bailey), 2; Winnie Machree, 6st 7lb (Bennett), 3. Other starters: Fast Lady, Marka. Betting: 6 to 4 on Undecided, 5 to 2 v. Fast Lady, 8 to 1 v. Matong, 10 to 1 v. others. Won by six lengths, eight lengths between second and third. Time, 1m. 59½s.

SYDNEY TURF CLUB.

MAY MEETING.

Following are the weights for the events to be run at the S.T.C. May meeting:—

HURDLE RACE—About 2m.

	st lb		st lb		st lb
Wollogorang	11 4	Sirnet	10 2	Bonnie Boy	9 7
King Pin	10 1	Gratnell	10 0	Signal	9 0
Frantic II.	10 6	Moravian	9 12	Jacques	9 0
Champion	10 3				

MAY STAKES—6f.

Lady Grafton	9 7	Turquoise	7 8	Sasin	6 12
Chippy Norton	9 6	Vel Atty	7 7	Good News	6 11
Famous	8 7	Rock Harbour	7 6	Rew-aa	6 11
Ola	7 13	Capricorn	7 6	Carraway	6 10
Getes	7 13	Victory	7 3	Kai Viti	6 10
Glengarry	7 11	Bother	7 2	Speculum	6 10
Rejoice	7 11	T.M.S.	7 8	Saltillo	6 10
Sir Roger	7 8	Scots Guard	7 5	Soldene	6 9
Clochette	7 8	Euston	7 2	Whiting	6 7
Sentrona	7 1				

STEEPLECHASE—About 2½m.

Brokerage	12 5	*Sloth II.	10 12	Billy Barton	9 0
Frantic II.	11 4	Monarch	10 12	The Same	9 0
Signet	11 0				

TURF CLUB HANDICAP—1¼m.

Lady Grafton	9 5	Fanfare	7 8	Iran	6 10
Queen of Sheba	8 10	Torchon	7 8	Cress	6 8
Silver Forest	8 5	Fireclay	6 12	Saltillo	6 7
Vocalist	8 2	Uneasy	6 12	Lockhart	6 7
Tatterdemalion	8 1	Invasion	6 11	Keen	6 7
		Carwee	6 11		

FAREWELL HANDICAP—1m.

Australia	10 5	Araxes	8 13	Calford	8 2
Suivre	9 12	Scots Guard	8 12	Rezit	8 0
Ld. Monm'th	9 9	Redmond	8 11	Danny Mann	8 0
Sir Roger	9 6	Prince Butler	8 9	Loch Lochie	8 0
Fanfare	9 5	Lanoline	8 9	Loch Lomond	8 0
Turquoise	9 1	Cres	8 7	Mechlin	8 0
Velocity	9 5	Kai Viti	8 7	Eulowrie	8 0
I.C.	9 0	Wyena	8 5	Antiea	8 0
Tam o' Shanter	8 13	Highflyer	8 5	Angelo	8 0
		Kensington	8 2		

* Scratched.

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

The following weights have been declared for the pony and galloway races to be held at Kensington to-morrow:—

Welter Handicap (15.0), 4½f.—Battler, 10st; Loyal Prix, 9st 12lb; Scotch Pebble, 9st 4lb; Goodwin, 9st 3lb; Loch Arrow, 9st 1lb; Horseshoe, 9st; Dart, 8st 12lb; Petrel, 8st 8lb; Tonic, 8st 8lb; Silent Sam, 8st 3lb; Aten, 8st 2lb; Molly Riley, 8st 1lb; Little Gull, 8st; Frivolous, 8st; Konig, 8st.

Fourteen-one Handicap, 5½f.—Indiana, 9st; Bob, 8st 10lb; Alice, 8st 8lb; Rose Park, 8st 3lb; Venture, 7st 10lb; Dryad, 7st 7lb.

Trial Stakes, 5f.—Free Lance, 9st 2lb; C.B., 7st 12lb; Empress, 7st 12lb; Snowflake, 7st 8lb; Lancaster, 7st 5lb; Cable, 7st 5lb; Lady Middleton, 7st 4lb; Canton, 7st.

Fourteen-hands Handicap, 5f.—Idle Fellow, 9st 7lb; Arba, 8st 13lb; Omeleta, 8st 6lb; Linda, 8st 5lb; Mab, 8st 5lb; Selma, 8st; Top, 7st 8lb; Monomia, 7st 3lb; Lucky Boy, 7st.

Fourteen-two Handicap, 4½f.—Lee Weller, 9st 4lb; Belle Cole, 8st 12lb; Lady Margaret Rotreaux, 8st 3lb; Olga Patricia, 8st; Rosalind, 8st; Haut Ln, 7st 12lb; Woodbine, 7st 12lb; Index, 7st 12lb; Report, 7st 8lb; Descender, 7st; Pure Gold, 7st; Lady Corrose, 7st; Handfeldt, 7st.

Kensington Handicap, 1m.—Curious, 9st; Toledo, 8st 12lb; Federation, 8st 5lb; Blackwing, 8st 1lb; Snowden, 7st 12lb; Carlotta, 7st 6lb; Our State, 7st 6lb; Muscat, 7st 1lb; His Delight, 7st; Neichdale, 7st.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

ACCEPTANCES FOR THE IMPORTANT RACES.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

The following acceptances have been declared in connection with the S.A.J.C. Autumn Meeting:—

Goodwood Handicap, 6f.—The Victory, 10st 5lb; Fortune Teller, 9st 7lb; Elairp, 9st 5lb; Prospero, 8st; Trochon, 8st 6lb; Adelaide, 8st 7lb; Fairy States, 8st 7lb; St. Ambrose (imp.), 8st 5lb; Tipton, 8st 4lb; Manbock, 8st 2lb; Charter, 7st 10lb; Boaz, 7st 8lb; Enigma, 7st 6lb; Florin, 7st 5lb; Silver, 7st 5lb; Stuart King, 7st 5lb; Lady Stanhope, 7st 2lb; Ybraw, 7st 2lb; Royal Oak, 6st 13lb; Postmark, 6st 12lb; Nita Carlyon, 6st 9lb; Antilles, 6st 5lb; Pandora, 6st 7lb; King Edward, 6st 7lb; Profit, 6st 7lb.

Adelaide Cup, 1m. 5f.—The Victory, 10st 3lb; Annotate, 9st 8lb; Lieutenant Bill, 9st 7lb; Flagship, 9st 5lb; Australian, 9st 2lb; Combat, 9st; Patronus, 9st; Orphan Boy, 8st 10lb; Novitiate, 8st 5lb; Sojourner, 8st 3lb; Avalon, 8st 3lb; The Sailor, 8st; Adjuster, 8st; St. Ambrose (imp.), 8st; Rienzi, 7st 13lb; Cross Keys, 7st 10lb; Eland, 7st 7lb; Montebaka, 7st 7lb; Magda, 7st 8lb; Lorne, 7st 7lb; El Koran, 7st; Tapoos, 6st 12lb; Stuart King, 6st 12lb; The Bird, 6st 12lb; Rapid Pilgrim, 6st 12lb; Grafton, 6st 11lb; Florie, 6st 10lb; Quandong, 6st 8lb; Tinfoil, 6st 8lb; Discussion, 6st 7lb.

St. Leger.—Rienzi, Sojourner, Cross Keys, El Koran.

South Australian Stakes.—St. Vincent, Carlena, Sweet Nell, Martinique, First Fleece.

WELLINGTON JOCKEY CLUB.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Following are the weights for the chief events in connection with the Wellington Jockey Club's Meeting to be held on Friday and Saturday next:—

Opening Handicap, 6f.—Noble Lady, 9st 7lb; Goldbust, 8st 2lb; Graceton, 9st 1lb; Alto, 9st 1lb; Melcasi, 8st 1lb; Yarragal, 8st 2lb; St. Clair, 8st; Dona, 7st.

Town Plate, 1m.—Noble Lady, 9st 2lb; Goldbust, 8st; Graceton, 8st 13lb; Bugler, 8st 7lb; Yarragal, 7st 12lb; St. Clair, 7st 12lb; Confederate, 7st 12lb; Pactolus, 7st 10lb; Peer, 7st; Nunquis, 6st 12lb.

Wellington Jockey Club Handicap, 1m.—Noble Lady, 9st 5lb; Graceton, 8st 13lb; Bugler, 8st 7lb; Yarragal, 7st 12lb; St. Clair, 7st 11lb; Confederate, 7st 12lb; Pactolus, 7st 10lb; Peer, 7st; Nunquis, 6st 12lb; Dona, 6st 12lb.

CANTERBURY PARK RACE CLUB.

The nominations received for the May race meeting at Canterbury Park are as follows:—

Hurdle Race, 2m.—Ida, Marry Jest, Moravian, Olympthus, Jacques, Trumper, Camboova II., Bizet, King Pin.

Flying Handicap, 6f.—Portland Light, Speculum, Sir Roger, Sasin, Dromedary, Sentrona, Rock Harbour, Dum Dum, Soldene, Silver Chime, Capricorn, Carraway, Turquoise, Gentleman Jim, Bother, Yanaawa, Rewina, Fiorella, Victory.

Park Stakes, 1m.—Ethelred, Lord Lovel, Calford, Danny Mann, Loch Lomond, Rock Lily, Noble Link, Rania, Barb, Lego, Gipsy Girl II., Bizet, Zea, Glandore.

Stewards' Mile.—Beau Fleur, Invasion, Curatoew, Cia, Eulong, Hello, Haut Star, Loch Lochie, First Water II., Turquoise, Gratia, Harvest Home, Noble Link, Ariana, Rafalla, Cuperite, Lanoline, Redmond, Incision, Fireclay.

Canterbury Handicap, 1¼m.—Invasion, Ether, Equator, Sasin, The Mite, Happy Days, Lord Monmouth, Silver Forest, Harvest Home, Fitzroy, Queen of Sheba, Marathon, Wrens, Fireclay.

Shorts, 5f.—Bones, Portland Light, Speculum, Lord Lovel, Nebraska, Sir Roger, Expectation II., Immanent, Saraswati, Gaulus Ally, Calford, Tam O'Shanter, Kincumber, Soldene, Antique, Rock Harbour, Mrs. Caudle, Carraway, Chamberlain, Gentleman Jim, Rania, Wanganui, Rejoice, Lego, Eulowrie, Hoyloya, Negrito.

POLO.

COOMA, Monday.

Mr. J. J. Howell, jun., reports having sold on account of various owners the following horses to Mr. E. De Little, of Caramount, Victoria, the well-known polo player:—E. W. Smart's polo pony, Patch, £50; Bernard Ferry's pair of buggy horses, 75 guineas; also Ryrie Brothers' Himemos and E. Litchfield's Encore, both polo ponies, at satisfactory prices.

GOLF.

SUBURBAN AND COUNTRY GOLF ASSOCIATION.

The committee appointed by this association held a meeting on Saturday last, and decided to invite 20 representatives of the country clubs to visit Sydney during the last week in July for country week. The principal fixtures will be matches against one of the metropolitan clubs or a combined team from both on Saturday, August 1, and a match against a representative team from the combined suburban clubs on Monday, August 3. The selection of the country team has been again left in the hands of Messrs. E. D. Hoben, R. A. Warden, and J. E. Stokes. The annual golf dinner will take place on Saturday evening, August 1.

CYCLING.

The Palace Emporium Club decided two events on the Agricultural Ground on Saturday. The half-mile was won by O. E. Bell, and A. H. Maidment and Ross were second and third respectively. Maidment won the mile event; Bell was second, and Ross third.

E. Adams, 15 yards, won the Manly Club's half-mile race on Saturday; A. George, 25 yards, was second, and H. S. Tucker, scratch, was third.

FOOTBALL.

Randwick defeated Forest Lodge Cambridge on Saturday in the City and Suburban competition by 8 to nil. Tries were obtained by Powell and Tiernan, one of which was converted by Huthnance. Candell, Richards, and Dransfield also played well for the victors.

NARRABRI, Monday.

At the annual meeting of the Narrabri Football Club the following officers were elected:—Patron, Mr. A. E. Collins, M.L.A.; president, Bishop Lyne; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. Hennessey, W. Conway, J. H. Clarke, H. V. Mumford, J. M'Cutcheon, L. Byrne, E. A. Lovelee, M. Collins, H. Williams, H. M. S. Hutchinson, and P. J. Lever; hon. sec., Mr. H. Lillyman; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. H. Coleman.

CRICKET.

ST. GEORGE CRICKET ASSOCIATION.

The final of the A grade competition in connection with the St. George Cricket Association was continued on Saturday afternoon on Kogarah Park. Hurstville in their first innings made 87 runs. Bexley replied with 86 runs (Lardner 29 and Porter 22.) For Hurstville A. Devlin secured four wickets for 8 runs. Others who got wickets were R. Caley (four) and Foley (two). For Bexley Mann took four wickets, Green and Freddy three each and Ross one.

B GRADE.

Semi-Finals.

Miranda, 240 (B. Midgley 89, J. Mondel 34, and J. Lye 24), against St. George Sunday School, 60 and one wicket for 16.

Bexley, seven wickets for 126 (O'Brien 49 not out, Cahill 31), against Arncliffe, 115.

A most enjoyable outing was spent on Saturday last by Messrs. W. and A. M'Arthur (shipping branch) and Messrs. Birt and Co. At 1.15 drags started from Macquarie-place with teams of both firms, together with other members of the staffs, to the Burwood Oval, where cricket was indulged in. It was a bowler's wicket, and those handling the ball made the most of it. Messrs. Dawkins and Douglas, of W. and A. M'Arthur, Limited, each came off with the remarkable average of three for nil. The match ended in a win for W. and A. M'Arthur, Limited, by 65 runs. For the winners Mr. M'Keown, with 29 not out, and Mr. Wilson, 24, made the highest scores; while Mr. Bennett, 24, batted well for the losers. At the close of the match the teams were driven to Paris House, where, with the members of both firms, they sat down to an excellent dinner. During the evening toasts were proposed as follows:—"The King," "Success to both Firms," "The Winning Team," coupled with the name of their captain and the secretary of the outing. Songs and recitations were rendered until about 10 p.m., when the party broke up. The outing proved such a success that it was decided in future to make it an annual affair.

GERMANTON, Monday.

The Riverina Cricket Club played the final match of the season on Saturday against Talmalmo and won by 91 runs. The scores were:—Germanton, 133 (Shepherd 35, F. Gifford 30); Talmalmo, 42. During the season the local club won nine out of 11 matches.

GLEN INNES, Monday.

The final match in connection with the Northern Border Cricket Association shield competition was played between Glen Innes and Stonehenge at Stonehenge on Saturday, and resulted in a win for Glen Innes on the first innings by eight wickets.

MORUYA, Monday.

The Nerrigundah cricketers defeated Moruya on Saturday by 261 to 23. For the winners George Jessop made 138.

MANLY CROQUET CLUB.

The Manly Croquet Club commenced its open tournament yesterday under favourable auspices. The weather was fine, the ground on the park was in good order, and bunting in abundance was flying. Mrs. H. T. Robey, honorary secretary to the Croquet Club, had made ample provision for the comfort of the players. The results of the day's play were as under:—

Ladies' Single Handicap.—First round: Mrs. Royle (class 4) beat Mrs. Sadler (class 3), Miss Lough (class 2) beat Mrs. Plomley (class 2), Mrs. Rossiter (class 2) beat Miss Robey (class 3), Miss Royle (class 5) beat Mrs. Thomas (class 2), Miss M. Brown (class 2) beat Miss V. Royle (class 5), Mrs. Robey (class 1) beat Mrs. Cearns (class 3), Mrs. Mitchell (class 5) beat Mrs. Brown (class 3), Miss Bonnar (class 3) a bye. Second round: Miss Lough (class 2) beat Mrs. Rossiter (class 2).

Ladies' Double Handicap.—First round: Miss Robey (class 3) and Miss German (class 4) beat Mrs. Plomley (class 2) and Mrs. German (class 2), Mrs. Robey (class 1) and Mrs. Stevens (class 4) beat Mrs. Dignam (class 3) and Mrs. Cearns (class 3), Mrs. Lough (class 1) and Mrs. Sadler (class 3) beat Mrs. Mitchell (class 3) and Miss Lough (class 2), Mrs. Thomas (class 2) and Miss M. Brown (class 2) beat Mrs. Johnson (class 2) and Mrs. Corms (class 2), Mrs. Royle (class 4) and Miss Royle (class 5) beat Mrs. Brown (class 3) and Miss Bonnar (class 3).

SAILING.

PORT JACKSON MODEL YACHT CLUB.

The opening event of the season in connection with the Port Jackson Model Yacht Club was sailed on Saturday afternoon over a course starting from Snail's Bay, thence round a mark off the southern end of Goat Island, thence round a mark in Kerosene Bay, back to Goat Island and Kerosene Bay, and finishing across starting line. The starters and handicaps were as follow:—Esmeralda (C. Hayes), scratch; Osprey (G. Bowen), and Boronia (T. Roderick), 1m.; and Rene (H. Rostrick), 5m. There were two other entrants, which did not put in an appearance. The midgets were started in order according to handicap at 3.15 p.m. Rene obtained a good lead, while Osprey opened out from Boronia and Esmeralda on the work to the Goat Island mark. Rene rounded first, and was followed by Osprey, Boronia and Esmeralda being some distance astern. On the way to Kerosene Bay the leaders got into the lee and the fleet closed up, and were together when rounding. After getting clear Osprey went to the front, being followed by Esmeralda and Rene with Boronia some distance astern. With Osprey in the lead the mark at Goat Island was rounded, and she increased her advantage back to the Kerosene Bay mark, and to the finish, crossing over a winner at 5h. 10m. A good race ensued for second position, Esmeralda crossing over at 5h. 12m. 3s., and Rene at 5h. 12m. 5s. Osprey thus won by 2m. 3s. from Esmeralda, which in turn just defeated Rene by 2s. for second place.

ROWING.

INTER-STATE BOAT RACES.

Messrs. Daley and Nielsen left by rail on Sunday evening for Melbourne, and their boats have been taken by a steamer. It is probable J. J. Fahey, of South Australia, will also compete for the sculls. He is under 9st weight, and has not yet mastered the fine points of sculling.

The only news of our eight oar crew is that they arrived safely, and had a row on Friday afternoon. All the men were well, and the quarters were comfortable. They had seen the Victorians, and considered them in great form. Pearson had seen the other crews, and still thought our men had a good chance of winning. Nicholson, our No. 2, had broken his oar by a fair pull, but there were spare oars which could replace those broken. Quist (the coxswain) left by rail last night; he was unable to go sooner.

BILLIARDS.

NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB.

The heats played last night resulted as follows:—D. Brasch (receives 170) beat R. Ronald (196) by 14; M. Davies (receives 140) beat F. Lynch (receives 120) by 4.

SPARROW SHOOTING.

GOULBURN, Monday.

At the sparrow club meeting on Saturday the first sparrow sweep was divided by H. Baxter and S. Meyer and the second by C. Canham and Meyer. The first pigeon sweep was divided by Canham and Meyer and the second by F. J. Brown and Canham.

CATHOLIC BENEFIT SOCIETY.

BIENNIAL CONGRESS.

The second Biennial Congress of Deputies from the various districts of the Hibernian Catholic Benefit Society throughout Australasia was opened yesterday morning at St. Benedict's Hall, Abercrombie-street. The chief president, Mr. John Toohey, presided, and there were present the chief treasurer, Mr. W. M. Fox, the corresponding secretary, Mr. J. L. Sutton, and the following deputies—New South Wales district, Messrs. P. O'Loughlin, R. M'Cormack, and E. Moore; district of Victoria, Mr. J. J. Trait; district of New Zealand, Mr. W. Beeham; district of Adelaide, Mr. J. F. Murphy; district of Western Australia, Mr. T. Earle White; district of Rockhampton, Mr. W. H. Sheehy; district of Tasmania, Mr. J. Wheelan.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE POPE.

After the calling of the roll and the transaction of other unimportant business attention was drawn to the fact that the meeting of the congress marked the historic period when the Pontificate of Leo XIII. had reached "the days of Peter." The congress decided to transmit through Cardinal Moran a cable to the Pope on behalf of the Hibernians of Australasia expressing their loving regard and veneration, and humbly felicitating him on the memorable day in his memorable life.

AFFAIRS IN IRELAND.

It was resolved also to convey the following expressions of opinion of Hibernians throughout Australasia in respect to Irish affairs to Mr. John Redmond, M.P., leader of the Irish Parliamentary party in the House of Commons:—"The land measure recently introduced in the British Parliament by a 'Conservative' Government is such a startling advance on all previous legislation that even the enemies of Home Rule must admit that the complete success of the Irish cause, in the light of events, is inevitable at no distant day. To the tactful genius of the King has been attributed, and, we believe, not incorrectly, the recent kindlier, broader views of British statesmen. But Ireland's reliance to-day is in their once more happily united and patriotic Parliamentary party, who, under John Redmond, are using with no less ability and zeal those powerful constitutional weapons which accomplished so much for Ireland in the time of Parnell."

PROGRESS OF THE INSTITUTION.

The corresponding secretary, Mr. Sutton, submitted the biennial report of the working of the society throughout Australia and New Zealand. The report was of a lengthy character, and dealt exhaustively with each State represented. The total membership was given as 21,185, divided as follows:—Victoria, 7888; New Zealand, 1432; New South Wales, 4655; Brisbane, 2147; Rockhampton, 704; Adelaide, 2365; Western Australia, 689; Tasmania, 709; North Queensland, 705. Totals, 21,185. This showed an increase in 18 months of 2551 members. The number of new branches opened during the last two years had been 58 male and 3 female. The society had accumulated funds amounting to £125,330. This was an improvement financially to the extent of £11,100 4s 9d.

THE WORK OF THE CLERGY.

Mention was made in the report of the beneficial effect of the continued and increasing interest which the hierarchy and priests of Australasia had devoted to the welfare of the society, and the unexampled honour conferred upon the whole society by the Cardinal in officially opening the last two district meetings of the New South Wales members, and this was regarded as having a most inspiring effect on the society as a whole. To merit such consideration from their spiritual heads was the constant aim of the ruling bodies of the society everywhere.

MATTERS OF CONCERN TO CATHOLIC CITIZENS.

"As members of a powerful Irish-Catholic society," the report went on to say, "it has been usual at these meetings to give pointed expression to the sentiments of our members on matters of general concern to our Catholic citizens. There are some important subjects of this nature on which we invite pronouncement by this representative meeting. The first is the advisability of offering practical encouragement to the teaching of Irish history in our Catholic schools, in furtherance of the patriotic action in this matter of the Cardinal and the members of the Australian Hierarchy. The federation of our various important Catholic societies for purely Catholic and social objects is another proposal meriting attention. And we might also consider whether we could not do something to banish at least from our Catholic concerts and entertainments that monstrous travesty on our race known as the 'stage Irishman.'"

MAYORAL RECEPTION.

At the conclusion of the reading of the report the congress adjourned to the Town Hall, where the delegates were received by the Lord Mayor. Congratulatory speeches were delivered, and the Lord Mayor entertained the visitors. Several toasts were honoured, "The Lord Mayor's Health" being drunk at the instance of the president of the society.

After lunch the delegates reassembled and consideration was given to the report, which was discussed clause by clause and was finally adopted.

In the evening the visitors were entertained at dinner at Paris House.

The congress will meet again this morning at 10 o'clock.

After eating eight doughnuts and six mince-pies at breakfast Walter Guthier, the sixteen-year-old son of Mrs. William Guthier, of North Brookfield, Massachusetts, asked for a helping of bacon. Because his mother refused to let him have it he attacked her with the bread-knife, and then fled the town.

THE MURRAY WATERS.

THE RECENT PREMIERS' CONFERENCE.

Speaking to a representative of the "Herald" yesterday about the Murray River question, which was before the conference of Premiers last week, the Premier (Sir John See) said that the question of water conservation had been gone into fully by the conference in conjunction with the Murray River matter. At one time a disagreement had arisen on the subject between New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia. On behalf of South Australia it had been stated that New South Wales and Victoria desired to put conservation first and irrigation second. As a matter of fact, he personally had been anxious that navigation should be put next to conservation. It would have been a serious matter for all the States if the conference had dispersed without coming to some determination regarding the use of the Murray waters. Great credit was due to Mr. Davis and Mr. Murray and their colleagues for the evidence and conclusions they had submitted to the various States. The document prepared by them was superior to anything hitherto produced regarding irrigation, conservation, and navigation. It seemed a pity after all the labours of the Royal Commission that there was going to be a deadlock in the discussion. New South Wales and Victoria could not agree with the proposals of South Australia. Victoria had had conservation for years, and wanted to go on increasing it. He had held that the tributaries of the Murray were part of the Murray system, and that no one State should impound its portion to the detriment of others. The question was therefore re-opened at his desire, and he had received letters from the Premiers complimenting him upon the course he had taken throughout the discussion. Mr. James, of Western Australia, had written approval of "the tact and generalship" he had manifested, and similar compliments had been bestowed upon him by other Premiers. When the question was re-opened he had a discussion with Mr. Irvine, and it was agreed to invite Mr. Murray and Mr. Davis to consult with them to see if they could not come to some conclusion about the Murray River rights. A proposal was made which was not detrimental to the States most concerned. It provided no abrogation of the existing rights, and was based upon the advice of the engineers. It would not affect New South Wales in her five years' conservation rights, and would help South Australia to overcome any apprehension that might be felt in that State. Navigation he regarded as the corollary to conservation. It would never do to abrogate navigation while there was so much navigable water in the rivers. New South Wales and Victoria fell in with the views of the commission, and South Australia now had modified views. There was an idea considered for some time that the matters which might arise would be better settled by appeals to the law courts and the Privy Council, but this would have meant that New South Wales would have had her hands tied for two years at least. (He refused to agree to this course, and wanted an amicable and reasonable settlement effected that would not be antagonistic to federal rights. It was proposed to construct locks and weirs up to the junction of the Murray with the Darling at a cost of £750,000, in accordance with the Royal Commission's recommendations. Tasmania, South Australia, and Queensland were against this at first, but on reconsideration of the alternative scheme proposed by the engineers their objections were lessened. The engineers had drawn their conclusions on the data afforded by dry seasons. It was recognised that the normal conditions afforded abundance of water for conservation and navigation, but the calculations had been made upon typical low years. New South Wales was prepared to start the work of conservation at once with the approval of the Federal Government now that South Australia's objection to the alternative scheme had been removed.

Mr. Davis, who was present with the Premier, said that there had been such a reasonable compromise effected with South Australia as would not interfere with New South Wales and Victorian action for the next five years.

Sir John See said that it was Mr. Davis and Mr. Murray who had arrived at a solution of the difficulty. All the Premiers had shown a high appreciation of their sense of responsibility in dealing with the matter.

COMMENTS BY THE "ARGUS."

MELBOURNE, Monday.

Dealing in its editorial columns with the Murray River agreement arrived at by the Premiers' Conference the "Argus" says:—"It is satisfactory to have some sort of understanding or truce with reference to the Murray waters question, otherwise South Australia might deem it necessary to commence proceedings at the earliest possible moment in order to defend what it conceives to be its rights in reference to the navigability of the lower river. Now that State may slumber on its rights or alleged rights for five years without prejudice to any claim it may then assert. The agreement amongst the Premiers of the three States interested appears to amount to little more than that. If it were a permanent agreement then it would appear, comparing it as well as we can without special information to guide us with the report and recommendations of the Royal Commission, that South Australia has got all the best of the bargaining. The quantity of water which Victoria may divert for conservation and irrigation is considerably below what the majority of the Commission recommended, but there is no probability that even the reduced allowance will be required within five years. It is clear the conference failed to shake the tenacity of South Australia to the position taken up that in no case must diversions from the Murray River reduce the river in South Australian boundaries below a navigable depth. The great crux of the situation remains where it was and all that has been arranged is a tentative scale of diversion under which South Australia undertakes to take no hostile steps for a period of five years. It may be a very long time before the respective claims of the States come into the region of practical conflict and in this aspect a temporary working arrangement is of value for no doubt it may be extended from time to time until the crisis comes and authority has to be appealed to for a settlement."

VIEWS OF MR. FRANK CLARKE, M.P.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The agreement just arrived at by the Premiers of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia as to the equitable distribution of the Murray River waters involves a question of such moment that it demands the earnest attention of the public before ratification by the State Parliaments concerned.

Unfortunately most of the public will not bother about the details of distribution of water until it may be too late. Their desire is, after so many years' discussion of the possibilities of water conservation and irrigation, to see some practical result, quite content to leave details to be settled by professional experts.

Apparently the Premiers during the conference were in the same happy frame of mind, as Sir John See is reported to have stated "that before giving his consent to the agreement he consulted both Messrs. Davies and Stuart Murray, professional men, both of New South Wales and Victoria respectively, and they were of the one opinion."

Now, both these officers were members of an Inter-State Commission appointed last year to investigate on behalf of their respective States this very question of the Murray River waters.

After a lengthy inquiry their reports were presented in December last, and after making due allowance for the spirit of concession which is generally associated with a conference, it is impossible to understand why they so quickly changed their views. A very casual perusal of their report goes to show that they were both then very emphatically of the opinion that 70,000 cubic feet per second was an ample allowance for South Australia during the five months, February to June, the non navigable months. (Read their reply to Mr. Burchell's dissent in Inter-State Commission Report.)

They are now in perfect agreement apparently that 150,000 cubic feet per second is not too much for South Australia during the same months of the year. This volume of water must not suffer any diminution, no matter how low the supply may be from the sources of the Murray.

The increase of 80,000 cubic feet per second to South Australia is largely in excess of what might reasonably be regarded as a concession, and represents what may possibly mean "success" or "failure" of irrigation to New South Wales and Victoria. It is impossible to account for this sudden change of opinion on the part of these officers in the absence of that information to which the public are entitled.

It should be remembered also that the first estimate of 70,000 cubic feet to South Australia was not a matter of mere guesswork, but was based upon reliable data. It is not necessary at this stage to venture an opinion as to the amount of water South Australia should receive—that is outside the purpose of this letter.

But much as it is regrettable to sound a discordant note on such an important question, at a time when one would rather bestow praise than blame, it would be a most serious blunder to allow this large discrepancy between the Inter-State Commission's report and the Premiers' agreement to pass unchallenged. I think your leader in this morning's "Herald" is most opportune, and should be further emphasised before Parliament is asked to ratify the agreement.

I am, &c.,

Sydney, April 27. FRANK CLARKE.

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THE PROBLEM OF THE WEST.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The recent publication of the interim rentals as fixed by the Western Land Commission and of the official stock returns have suggested an investigation as to the position of the division as an administrative problem, and its value as an asset to the State, and incidentally to the present holders of leases.

Starting from January 1 of this year, the position is summarised in the following statement:—

WESTERN DIVISION.

Sheep District.	Area.	Sheep.	Rent	Average per sheep	Rent per sheep in pence
			£	Acres.	
Brewarrina	3,256,000	598,000	25,036	5·5	10d
Bourke	9,380,000	561,000	23,464	16·6	10·04
Wilcannia	9,192,000	327,000	16,600	28·21	12·27
Menindie	8,928,000	368,000	11,450	24·3	7·55
Milparinka	7,080,000	288,000	5,439	24·5	4·81
Wentworth	7,418,000	198,000	7,044	38·4	8·79
Wanaaring	5,700,000	201,000	6,831	28·5	7·9
Ivanhoe	5,808,000	229,000	6,947	25·5	7·47
Cobar	5,170,000	300,000	11,300	17·6	9
Condobolin	1,008,000	37,000	1,210	27·0	8·5
Cannonbar	300,000	10,000	1,908	31·0	45½ (3/9)
Walgett	2,675,000	539,000	19,039	4·25	7·25
Balranald	3,317,000	183,000	9,206	18·1	12·07
Hillston	3,404,000	102,000	7,074	33·37	16·60
...	75,544,000	4,039,000	154,510	...	...

Equal to 18·73 acres per sheep and 9·20d nearly per sheep, with a large area unoccupied, and exclusive of interest on alienated lands.

The numbers of sheep appearing here do not correspond with the published returns because I have added on the horses at 10 sheep per horse, and the cattle at eight per head. Now, having found out where we were in January, and assuming that no further losses have occurred, what hope of financial recovery have the occupants?

Herewith I submit an estimate of the approximate working for four years to come, and in order to simplify working in detail I have thrown off the odd 33,000 sheep, and all through have dropped all factors below a thousand.

Under the heading "Working Expenses" I have taken moderate figures, as I think the item carriage at an average of £8 decidedly low, rabbit destruction at £40,000 for the whole division, and most of the others on a basis that is more or less fixed. Also it will be noticed that the amount per 1000 sheep is reduced as the numbers increase, rabbit destruction and one or two other items not going up correspondingly. Under the heading of "Amount Invested in Improvements" I am in possession of facts which go to show that it is a moderate estimate indeed, being at the rate of a little over 1s 6d per acre. This without any recognition of the fact that too many improvements have had to be renewed or made afresh after a comparatively short period of service. The statement also takes no account of over a million invested in land, but, of course, that has already been written down by about 50 per cent. Nor does it make any allowance for administration by owners, company, or bank managers, or by the Land Commission. The first striking fact from this examination is that all rent must come out of the return hoped for by the lessees, and must be in depreciation of their tenant right, and detrimental to, if not destructive of, any hope of a recoup within a reasonable period. It must also tend to severely repress any spirit of buoyancy in the hearts of the tenants, and to strangle the wished for attempts to conserve and recuperate the productive powers of the arid areas. As to what method should have been adopted with respect to appraising rentals, I cannot do better than quote from a speech made by myself in Parliament 20 years ago during the discussion on the Land Act of 1884.

Method of Arriving at Rentals.—"My idea is that a certain minimum amount per square mile should be paid for every run, and that there should be a capitation tax on the sheep and cattle. If the run is improved, a share of the profit goes to the State. Men who improve their runs should be encouraged; but a man who does not improve his holding is not worthy of consideration. The system of charging so much rent per acre is unjust, and it cannot be made a fair one. Every run ought to be specially considered, and without regard to any other. If one run will carry only half the number of sheep that another carries, it would then have to pay only half the amount. Let the returns be taken periodically. In South Australia they are taken every three months, and the average number of stock on the runs is ascertained by means of those returns. The lessees there know what their rent will be at the end of the year. I can imagine no better or fairer system by which to arrive at the annual value of a run. The owners of the runs will be the best judges of the capabilities of their holdings, and they will know how much stock to place upon the soil. We could adopt no better system here. If we had a bad season the lessee would pay a small rent; if a good season he would pay a higher rent. If a man were unfortunate and if his stock died off, he would pay nothing to the State under this system; and I maintain that it is better for the State to let men under such circumstances recover themselves than to crush them out of existence. We want to do away with the class of holders who do not improve the country, and to legislate in such a manner as to encourage men to increase the producing capabilities of the land. Every man who gets a pound of wool where formerly only one-half of that quantity was got is a benefactor just the same as the man is who makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before. The men who can produce the most wool and the best are those whom we want on the land. I shall be prepared as occasion offers, therefore, to point out my objections to certain proposed amendments of the law, and to make suggestions which I hope will receive consideration. The Minister for Lands proposed to take the average value of the land in the Western Division, and adopt that as the minimum. The result of fixing the minimum upon that principle would be to shut out one-fourth of the Western Division from occupation altogether. That land was at the present time returning something, and if it were unoccupied the Government would have to expend large sums of money upon it for the destruction of rabbits. It was of importance to consider what was likely to become of the leaseholds in future if such a rent as proposed by the Government should be fixed as the minimum. The so-called risk of invasion by free selectors about which the Minister for Lands had spoken amounted to nothing, so far as the Western Division was concerned, and was merely a bugbear raised by the honourable member for the purpose of frightening the pastoral leaseholders. There was an important point in connection with the leaseholds in the Western Division which had not been taken into consideration, either by the Minister for Lands or by other honourable members who had spoken, and that was that a large amount of capital had been expended on the bulk of the leases, for which expenditure no adequate return had yet been received."

Tenant Right in Improvements.—"Had the question not been practically shelved by the Secretary for Lands stating that he intended to drop his amendment, I should have proposed an amendment limiting the improvements to be paid for to such as were for the conservation of water. As all the buildings in the Western Division were composed of wood, they would be pretty well worn out in 20 years, and the fences would become rotten, so that they would not be of much value. But improvements for the conservation of water would never lose their value, and the more improvements of this kind that were made the greater would be the benefit to the colony. As the improvements were to be appraised by the local boards it was not likely that the lessees would spend money needlessly. In any case they were not likely to get the full value of the improvements which they made. We should be acting most unwisely if we passed any law which would prevent the expenditure of money on works for the conservation of water in the interior."

The values at which I have set down the fleeces and surplus stock will be, I think, admitted to be justified by experience as erring on the side of liberality. The average increase, too, would be a decidedly favourable result, and the losses below the usual experiences.

And it is to be noted, too, that to carry out this programme additional capital has to be found to buy 1,650,000 sheep before next year, and the sheep have to be found. And can Western lessees compete for breeders with holders of good properties in the Central and Eastern divisions who have better security, and must endeavour to pay interest on large sums invested in land. In view of all this the almost inevitable expression of the ordinary citizen unacquainted with the problem would be to ask, "Why do people stick out there and waste their lives in a desert fighting against such odds?" My answer is that the people out back are simply holding on to see what hope there may be of getting respectable salvage out of the seven millions odd sunk in improvements and land, and with the hope of a more or less permanent enhancement in the value of merino wool.

I am, &c.,

April 27. ALEX. WILSON.

ESTIMATE OF WORKING THE WESTERN DIVISION AS A PASTORAL HOLDING FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS.

1903.

	£		£
Working Expenses: Salaries, Wages, Rations, Shearing, Carriage (an average of £8 per ton), Commissions, Rabbit Destruction, Assessments, Tradesmen's and Work Sundries at £140 per 1000	£560,000	4,000,000 Sheep at 3s 4d per fleece	£666,000
Interest on £6,000,000 invested in Improvements at 6 per cent.	360,000	Increase 50 per cent. from 1,000,000 ewes, less losses at 4 per cent., 150,000=350,000 at 6s.	105,000
Do. on £2,000,000, Value of Stock	160,000		
	£1,080,000		
	771,000		
Deficiency of Interest	£309,000		£771,000
No fund for Depreciation of Improvements			
No fund for Emergencies or Rent			

1904.

	£		£
Working Expenses at £125	£750,000	6,000,000 Fleeces at 3s 4d	£1,000,000
Interest on Improvements at 6 per cent.	360,000	Increase 66 per cent. from 1,800,000 ewes, less losses at 4 per cent.=780,000 at 6s	225,000
Interest on Capital in Stock, £3,000,000 at 8 per cent.	240,000		
	£1,350,000		
	1,225,000		
Deficiency of Interest	£125,000		£1,225,000
No Reserve Funds or Rent			

1905.

	£		£
Working Expenses at £125 per 1000	£1,000,000	8,000,000 fleeces at 3s 4d	£1,333,000
Interest on Improvements	360,000	Increase of 50 per cent. from 1,600,000 ewes, Less losses at 4 per cent.=480,000 at 5s	120,000
Interest on Capital in Stock valued at 8s per head at 8 per cent.	256,000		£1,453,000
	£1,616,000		
	1,453,000		
Deficiency of Interest	£163,000		
No Reserve funds or rent.			

1906.

	£		£
Working Expenses at £120 per 1000	£1,200,000	10,000,000 fleeces at 3s 4d	£1,666,000
Interest on Improvements	360,000	Increase of 50 per cent. from 2,000,000 ewes, less loss of 4 per cent.=800,000 at 5s	200,000
Interest on Capital in stock at 6s 8d per head at 8 per cent.	266,000		£1,866,000
	£1,826,000		£1,826,000
		Profit	£40,000
		No reserve funds. No rent.	

1907.

The more or less inevitable drought.

MUTUAL LIFE ASSOCIATION.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The thirty-fourth annual general meeting of the Mutual Life Association of Australasia was held yesterday afternoon at the principal office, George and Wynyard streets. Mr. S. Dickinson (chairman of the board of directors) presided over a good attendance, which included:—Messrs. F. T. Humphery, M.L.C. (deputy-chairman), J. N. Brunker, M.L.A., Russell Barton and L. F. Heydon M.L.C. (directors), and J. C. Remington (general manager).

A synopsis of the annual report, which was taken as read, was published in last Friday's "Herald."

The chairman said that he had more than usual pleasure in moving the adoption of the report, because the progress it disclosed appeared to him really remarkable, and more than usually satisfactory. They had been hearing so much, especially in the English press, about drought and distress in Australia, that it would probably be surprising, as well as gratifying, to find the association's transactions in the year 1902 showing such marked signs of continued progress, and increased prosperity. In outside business New Zealand and the United Kingdom had been particularly successful fields during 1902. Regarding the new business, not only had there been no falling off to report, but the new policies granted, for over £760,000, were £45,000 greater than in 1901, and therefore very much larger than in any previous year in the association's history. The new premiums amounting to over £30,000 or to over £46,000 including the consideration for annuities granted, would, he ventured to say, be regarded as a handsome increment by any of the long established life offices in the old country, many of which were now favouring the association with reassurances of their surplus lines. The renewal premiums had increased from £159,000 to nearly £172,000, the actual net increase being £12,712, which was unparalleled in any previous report of the association. The new business had been obtained at less cost per cent than in any previous year, the expense rate upon the total premiums collected showing the substantial reduction of £1 6s per cent. The gross assets amounted at the balance of accounts to close upon £1,650,000, having been increased during the year by over £105,000. With regard to the investments, the large proportion of liquid securities (and over 20 per cent. was a large proportion) had doubtless helped to gain and retain for the association the confidence of the public at a distance from the principal office, particularly in the United Kingdom, where that class of investment was always regarded with especial favour. Proof of this was abundant in the amount of not only life assurance, but annuity business they were securing there. The directors had never lent money on properties in those portions of these States in which a diminished rainfall was most severely felt. They had regarded the business of financing the pioneers of the backblocks as being the peculiar province of companies established for loans and investments only, and which had the machinery for working pastoral properties if they fell into their hands. Consequently the company had made no losses through the recent drought, and with but very few exceptions its securities had caused the directors no anxiety whatever. The outstanding interest remained almost as phenomenally small as in previous years. The total revenue from investments amounted to over £69,000, equalling a rate of just about 4½ per cent. (Applause)

Sir James Graham, in seconding the adoption of the report, stated that it was a pleasure to hear the excellent and satisfactory report of the society's work. It was difficult to gauge exactly what was the true test of a country's prosperity amidst the babel of political cries, but if thrift and the proof of saving were to be taken into account then the report was one of which they had every reason to be proud. (Hear, hear.)

Mr David Storey, M.L.A., said that the report was a remarkable one, because there was nothing in it which one could criticise adversely. It was remarkable also on account of its conciseness, completeness, and simplicity, and in that it was an object lesson for the State financial authorities. (Applause).

Mr. A. L. Mullens (chairman of the Stock Exchange) also supported the adoption of the report, which was agreed to unanimously.

Messrs. Samuel Dickinson and J. N. Brunker, M.L.A., the retiring directors, were re-elected, and Mr. John B. C. Miles, was re-elected an auditor.

On the motion of Mr. T. R. Allt a vote of thanks was accorded to the directors and officers of the company. Mr. Remington, in a brief reply, mentioned that the report just adopted was the very best that had yet been published. It was a source of great satisfaction to him to look back over his 20 years' connection with the society. He submitted a few figures to show how the association had grown. In 1873 when he joined its income was £10,000; in 1902 it was £287,400.

DELAY IN DELIVERY OF MAILS.

The following letter has been handed us for publication by the Sydney Chamber of Commerce:—

Sydney, March 30, 1903.

The Hon. the Postmaster-General, Melbourne.

Sir,—Referring to the letter of the general council of Chambers of Commerce of the Commonwealth of Australia, June 27, 1902, and the further representations which it is understood were made to you by the Hon. the Premier of this State, at the instance of the Sydney Chamber in October last, on the subject of the delay in delivery of mails by subsidised steamers arriving at Adelaide, I have been instructed to draw your attention once more to this important subject.

The mails per P. and O. Company's steamer China arrived on Saturday, March 28, 1903, at Adelaide, and reached Melbourne on Sunday morning, where they lay until this (Monday) morning, and will not be available in Sydney until 9 a.m. delivery to-morrow (Tuesday), which is the day for closing the homeward mails, whereas if they had been forwarded by train on Sunday afternoon they would have been delivered at mid-day to-day in Sydney.

It is a matter of serious inconvenience to merchants having to receive mails and despatch replies the same day, and is one which unfortunately frequently occurs here.

The geographical position of Sydney sufficiently handicaps her (as she receives her letters a day later, and has to reply a day earlier than Melbourne) without having superadded the delay which is avoidable, if only trains were run on Sundays, as in other parts of the world.

In reply to the letter of the president of the general council of Chambers of Commerce of Australia, June 27, 1902, you on July 5, 1902, said "the president would be further advised," but so far as can be learned no notification on the subject has reached him.

The council of this Chamber will esteem it a favour if you will give this matter your early consideration.

I have the honour to be, &c.,

HENRY CHARLES MITCHELL, Secretary.

To the above letter the Secretary of the Postmaster-General's Department, Melbourne, forwarded, on April 2, 1903, the usual formal printed notification of receipt, and intimation "that the matter will receive consideration."

ARBITRATION ACT AND DOMESTIC SERVANTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Now that Mr. Wise is back will he kindly answer the following for the benefit of a great number of persons in this State. In the Arbitration Act industry is defined as persons employed in "business, trade, calling, &c., for hire or reward," and concludes with these words: "but does not include employment in domestic service." Now what was the intention of Parliament when the latter words "but does not, &c.," were inserted?

The Full Court, in an appeal for prohibition by the Caterers and Restaurant Keepers' Association v. the Arbitration Court, and the Hotel, Club, and Restaurant Employees' Union, decided that a "domestic servant was only one engaged in a private house for the master's, wife's, and children's personal comfort, and if any business whatsoever was carried on in the private home of a family, such servants ceased to become domestics." So that a cook or housemaid, &c., in the doctor's, lodging, boarding, or dentist's house, boarding schools, fruit and refreshment shops, hospitals, Government institutions (where payments are received), hotel, club, or restaurant are to be treated entirely different to the domestic in the private home of those who happen to have their business apart from the private dwelling, who perform the same work, work longer hours, have inferior food, and less holidays.

Now, Mr. Wise, kindly answer the above, and let the public know how it is that two-thirds of the servants doing the same work are included in the Act, while those who are working for the wealthier class are excluded from the benefits of the Arbitration Act. Private houses that take paying guests, &c., of which there are a great many, come under the heading of boarding-houses.

I am, &c., P. HART,

President Caterers and Restaurant Keepers' Association.

Mr. R. A. PIERPOINT, Springville, Iowa, writes:—"My wife had an attack of asthma. One bottle of Jayne's Expectorant eradicated the disease."—Advt.

BURNET'S DIGESTIVE MEAL is the most nourishing and wholesome breakfast food.—Advt.

AMERICAN MAIL NEWS.

By the R.M.S. Ventura, which arrived from San Francisco on Saturday afternoon, we received files of American papers to April 1. We make the following extracts:—

SENSATIONAL COLLISION BETWEEN STEAMERS.

Lying at her pier her starboard side for 100ft. crushed and torn, and the woodwork pounded into a splintered and inextricable mass of wreckage, her hull penetrated by a great gash, and the steel plates twisted and bent like pasteboard, the steamer Plymouth, of the Fall River line, to-night furnishes silent but convincing evidence of the midnight collision with the freighter City of Taunton, of the same line, that cost six lives, and placed 552 more in jeopardy, telegraphed the New London (Connecticut) correspondent of the "New York Tribune" on March 20. From the submerged forward hold, in which broken beams and twisted steel girders are tangled, the bodies of three coloured pantrymen, who were caught in the wreck and drowned, have been removed, and another is believed to be still concealed beyond the reach of the diver who has vainly sought to locate the body. The body of a passenger, believed to be that of G. H. Marsten, of Paterson, N.J., the only passenger killed, lies at a local undertaker's establishment. There is yet no explanation of the accident, which occurred in a dense fog near the eastern entrance of the Sound, in the narrow passage between Fisher's Island and Little Gull Island. At 12.10 a.m.—the time of the collision—the flood tide was rushing through the entrance at a four-knot pace, and the City of Taunton, borne on the crest of this flow, was passing in on the way to New York, while the Plymouth had cleared Gull Island about 10 minutes before, bound east.

The foghorns sounding beyond the white wall of mist were heard by both ships four minutes before the impact, and the Taunton had slowed to a snail's pace. Suddenly the men in the pilot-houses of the two steamships saw the flash of lights; there was a roar of warning whistles, and 20 seconds after the mutual discovery the Taunton, low and heavy with an unusually large cargo, rammed the Plymouth, striking her at a slight angle, and penetrating into her steel hull for about 10ft.

Apparently the Plymouth's momentum still carried her forward, for as the Taunton rebounded from the blow her battered bow raked the starboard side of the Plymouth fore and aft for 100ft., bringing down the woodwork, staterooms, and bunks in a tangled mass. Straight through the outer row of staterooms, and as far as the main saloon, the woodwork was ripped and torn away, opening a big rift, revealing the forward gangway and saloon. As the Taunton backed out the water rushed into the shattered hull beneath the waterline, filling the compartments. Caught in this section were four coloured men asleep. In a moment, before they had a chance to escape, a great rush of water rolled into the compartment and drowned them.

Above the hold in which the negroes were sleeping was a second cabin, crowded to overflowing. Seventy-five United States marines, lately returned from the Philippines, and 50 Italians were in the bunks sleeping. As the first grind of the crash came John M'Carthy, the forward deck watchman, realising the impending danger, rushed to awaken the inmates of the cabin. He had scarcely given a warning shout when the great bow of the Taunton, raking the side of the Plymouth, sent a beam crushing down, completely severing his head. In a moment 125 passengers were struggling to extricate themselves from the broken mass.

Impossible as it may seem, when one views the hopelessly battered woodwork at this place, not a single person was injured. The passengers in the staterooms above the steerage cabin did not fare so well. The bowsprit of the Taunton tore aside the wooden partitions and sent beds and bunks crashing down into the cabin below. Here the only casualty among the passengers occurred. A man, believed to be G. H. Marsten, of Paterson, N.J., was fairly crushed in the broken beams. Three other passengers, occupying staterooms in this side, were also injured. Room 207, the one furthest aft of the starboard staterooms, is known as the "bridal chamber." The occupants of this room, together with a woman occupying the adjoining berth, were imprisoned. So great was the force of the blow dealt by the Taunton that the woman in the next stateroom was hurled into the bridal chamber, and the three were rescued by two porters armed with axes.

After the collision the Plymouth settled as the water poured into her shattered side, but the watertight compartments held the vessel righted, and the admirable coolness of the ship's officers, together with the remarkable composure of men and women, alike averted a further horror. Life preservers were distributed, and a few of the more apprehensive put them on, but it soon became apparent that there was no danger of sinking, and the two vessels slowly and with difficulty steamed into New-London Harbour. The Norwich Line steamer Mame passed the Plymouth crawling into New-London Harbour, and informed the authorities at New-London of the accident.

TRAIN CRASHES INTO LANDSLIDE.

A north-bound freight was wrecked near Point Arguello at midnight on March 28 (says a telegram from Santa Barbara). Engineer Harry Vogelsang was instantly killed, Fireman Davis badly scalded, and Brakeman Johnson sustained a broken collarbone and was slightly scalded. The train was a fast freight, which left this city early in the evening. It was running at a rapid rate of speed when the accident occurred. Just as a curve was being rounded a short distance north of Point Arguello, an obstruction was noticed by Engineer Vogelsang, but too late to avoid striking it. On account of heavy rains a landslide had occurred, and into this the train crashed at full speed. The engine, tender, and four cars were piled in a heap. Engineer Vogelsang was buried beneath the debris. Fireman Davis was thrown on to the wreck and was seriously scalded before he could be extricated. Brakeman Johnson, who was riding on the engine, was caught in the wreck, but escaped with but slight injuries. When news of the wreck was received at San Luis Obispo a wrecking train was sent to the scene of the accident. It was some time before the remains of Engineer Vogelsang could be reached, and when found they were in a frightfully mangled condition. The remains were taken to San Luis Obispo, where the dead man's family reside.

GOLD RECORDS BROKEN.

There was more gold in the custody of the Government of the United States at the close of business on March 9 than ever before in the history of the nation. The sum amounted to 634,856,653 26dol., and is contained in the following funds:—Gold coin and bullion in division of redemption, 150,000,000dol.; gold coin held against gold certificates, 400,696,636dol.; gold coin and bullion, general fund, 84,260,557 26dol. In 1879 the gold in the Treasury amounted to 116,674,227dol. From that date until 1888 it fluctuated around 150,000,000dol., when at the latter date it touched the 250,000,000dol. mark. The amount decreased gradually from that time until 1893, when it went below the 100,000,000dol. mark. In January, 1895, when the lowest point was touched, it registered just 44,705,967dol. In January of 1896 it was down again to 49,000,000dol., but since that time it has steadily increased. It has never been under the 200,000,000dol. mark since the first month in the fiscal year of 1899, but the greatest gain has been in the present fiscal year, when it has gone from 253,861,291dol. at the beginning of the year to the enormous figure quoted above.

PHILADELPHIA MADE IDOLS.

Heathen idols are made in Philadelphia (says the New York "Tribune.") This fact recently became known. It was not the idol maker who announced the fact; it was a Corean, a native of Seoul, who has lately come to America to purchase some Yankee-made gods. The Corean's disclosure of the purpose of his visit has thrown the Philadelphia idol factory into disrepute. Bishops, clergymen, and missionaries have denounced it bitterly. Nevertheless the manufacturer, a strange, strong-willed man, does not propose to give up making idols. For the heathen to bow down to Christian made gods is not a new thing. Thousands of idols are turned out in Germany each year, and many of the outlandish little gods and fetiches that the Africans worship are the product of the enterprising English town of Birmingham. Frederic Poole, a missionary of Philadelphia, estimates that a good percentage of the world's idols are made by Christian nations, and Dr. William P. Wilson, the head of the Philadelphia Commercial Museums, says that the idol-making trade of Germany is enormous. The Philadelphia idol factory is a wooden building of one story. Its owner is a German, and his trade used to be toy making. He came from Germany to Philadelphia two years ago, and he says he took up the manufacture of idols because a friend of his, a resident of India, proved to him that there was a greater demand for idols than for toys, and that there was more money in the idol than the toy business. Most of his trade is with India, and the principal idols he makes are Buddhas and Ganeshas.

MEN FIGHT IN SHOWERS OF BULLETS.

The labour troubles which had been brewing at Oxnard culminated on March 23 (says a telegram in the San Francisco "Call"). As a result five men lie wounded, two of them fatally, from bullets received during a fusillade in which some 200 shots were fired. Three Mexicans and two Japanese are the victims. During the past six weeks Oxnard has been thronged with Mexican and Japanese labourers, most of whom were imported by the Western Contracting Company to work in the beet fields. There has been great dissatisfaction among the labourers in regard to their relations with the company. They claim they have been poorly paid and forced to accept orders on certain stores for goods in payment for work; that the company received a percentage from the stores on all their trade, and that goods were marked up in price to cover this percentage. The company does not deny the truth of these statements, but claims that all dealings were open and legitimate. To meet these conditions a labour union was formed by the Japanese and Mexicans. It has about 1500 members. The contracting company, unable to secure labourers, found some leaders who were dissatisfied with the present labour union, and with the aid of these a new union was formed. The new union attempted to set men to work at thinning out beets for a rancher near town. A waggon was loaded with men and their baggage in Chinatown. When about ready to start members of the old labour union appeared and demanded that their label be placed on the waggon before it should move. At this critical moment a Japanese appeared with a shotgun and attempted to climb on the waggon. Deputy-constable Charles Arnold grasped the gun and tried to take it. The Japanese resisted and Deputy Hankins came to his fellow officer's assistance. At this moment a fusillade of shots was fired from all directions. They seemed to come from every window and door in Chinatown. The street was filled with people, many engaged in a general fight, and the wonder is that only five persons were wounded.

A TRAIN STUCK UP.

Three masked robbers attempted to hold up a car on the Los Angeles-Pacific electric line running between Los Angeles and Santa Monica, about a mile west of the city limits, at 9 o'clock p.m. on March 21, and after a pistol duel between C. W. Henderson, one of the passengers, and one of the robbers, the other two highwaymen began shooting right and left through the crowded car. One passenger was killed and three wounded. It is believed that one of the robbers was badly wounded, because he was heard to cry out and was seen to half fall off the car immediately after Henderson began shooting at him. The hold-up occurred at the head of a deep cut near the junction of the Ocean Park electric line. The robbers had placed a steel rail, a large bench, and a cement barrel on the track at a point near where it runs through a large vineyard. Charles Currin, the motorman, saw the obstruction when the car was several hundred yards from it, because the car was equipped with a powerful search-light. He at once turned off the current and ran slowly to the place. The car struck the obstruction at greatly reduced speed. The moment the car struck, three men wearing white masks or handkerchiefs over their faces sprang from the weeds alongside the track. One of them boarded the front end of the car and the other two the rear end. The man who boarded the front end commanded the passengers who were occupying the open seats at that end to put up their hands, and when one of them did not comply he fired a shot. Henderson was seated within 6ft. of the point where the robber boarded the car, and having seen the obstruction he drew his revolver. The instant the robber fired at the other man Henderson opened fire on him, shooting as fast as he could pull the trigger. The robber then turned his gun upon Henderson, but as he did so he was seen to bend over and then cried out as if in pain. Then, straightening up, he began shooting at the bunch of passengers who were huddled in the front seats. One of his bullets struck Ellis Pearson in the left leg. Henderson continued firing, and the robber was seen to fall as he struck the ground. While this was going on on the outside of the car a tragedy was being enacted in the inside, that portion of it which is fully enclosed. The two robbers who had entered the rear door commanded the passengers to raise their hands, and most of them did so. Before any attempt could be made by the robbers to search the passengers for their valuables the shooting began on the outside of the car. Then the other two robbers began shooting right and left into the crowd of passengers. Griswold was seated about the middle of the car with his back turned towards the robbers. At the command "Hands up" he tried to secrete his watch under his legs, and one of the robbers, thinking he was about to draw a gun, fired point blank at him. The bullet struck him in the back of the neck, and he fell over into the lap of his aged mother, who was seated at his side. Dr. C. H. Bowles was near the front door, and at the command of the robbers he raised his hands. While he had them in the air one of the bullets from a robber's revolver struck his left hand and shattered the bones. After emptying their revolvers the robbers backed out of the door, and sprang off the car and disappeared.

RUNNING BATTLE WITH ROBBERS.

A desperate battle was fought early on March 28 between three robbers on one side and officers and citizens on the other, a Bedford, a suburb of Cleveland, Ohio, resulting in the death of one of the robbers and the wounding and capture of another. Many shots were exchanged before the fleeing men were finally brought to earth. Very late at night three masked men entered the town of Garrettsville, 25 miles east of Cleveland, seized the night policeman and bound and gagged him. The officer was then marched to the post-office, where he was compelled to witness an attempt to blow open the safe by the marauders. They finally, after working some time, gave up the job without securing anything of value. They then entered the store of D. E. George, where they secured a small sum of money. Later in the day they stole a horse and buggy and drove to Ravenna, where they boarded a Cleveland and Pittsburg train for Cleveland. Meantime the authorities had been aroused at both Ravenna and Garrettsville. Telegrams were sent to Bedford, and when the train arrived there a number of deputy-sheriffs and a posse of citizens were on hand, armed with guns and revolvers. The three burglars jumped from the train as it drew up to the station. They immediately drew their revolvers, and a running fight began. The robbers fired rapidly as they ran towards an open field, while the officers and posse poured in volley after volley upon them. Finally one of the pursued men dropped to the ground dead. A second was so badly wounded that he left a trail of blood in his footsteps, and soon threw up his hands in surrender. The third man escaped. The captured robber was taken before United States Marshal Chandler, where he gave his name as James Bradley, 23 years old, of St. Louis. He asserted that he did not know the name of the robber shot to death or of the one who escaped.

REFORM ORGANISATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The rapid and alarming increase in our national debt, the destruction of our productive industries by the minimum wage, day labour, and relief works at high wages, and the extravagant public works which the Government are carrying out with borrowed money, have compelled us to take steps to oust this reckless and extravagant Government, and bring about a reform of their vicious and destructive measures.

With this object in view two reform associations were started, but the two are now amalgamated, and form one body under the name of the People's Reform League. Some three months back Mr. Carruthers, the leader of the Opposition, started another reform association under the name of the Liberal Reform Association, and Mr. Carruthers, its leader, has publicly declared that he will not recognise candidates nominated by the People's Reform League unless they agree to support him as leader. To all candidates who refuse to give this pledge he declares he will run candidates against them. This is surely a reckless and foolish declaration, and goes a long way to discredit his reputation of being an able and astute politician.

Amongst the various necessary measures of reform local government is the most important and necessary, and should be the first measure dealt with, as other measures are dependent on its passage and provisions, particularly the reduction of members of the Assembly. Local government has been one of the planks of the last six Ministries. Parkes, Stuart, Jennings, Dibbs, Reid, Lyne, and See all pledged themselves to pass such a measure, and all failed to do so, and now Mr. Carruthers wants the electors to support only such candidates as agree to support him as leader. But surely it must be apparent that the electors have nothing to do with the choice of a leader or Premier. This is the duty of the new Assembly, who will on meeting elect a leader of the Opposition, who on the defeat of the existing Ministry will doubtless be called upon to form a new Government. Therefore the pledge which Mr. Carruthers requires is both dangerous and unnecessary, and must be resisted, as its object is to carry a political party into power, who may or may not pass all or none of the reforms set out in its platform; while if the electors elect members pledged to reform, if one Ministry fail to carry reform they will be free to oust them, and place another Ministry in power to carry out reform.

It is therefore the duty of the People's Reform League to enter into negotiations with the Liberal Reform Association, and endeavour to come to a fair and intelligent agreement, so that all real reformers may be united by a common platform and common action in the ensuing general election. Should they unfortunately be unable to come to an agreement with the political party of Mr. Carruthers the only course open to the league is to take up an independent course of action with regard to candidates by accepting such of Mr. Carruthers' candidates as are real reformers, and rejecting those who are mere supporters of Mr. Carruthers. By this means a greater number of real reformers would be returned than Mr. Carruthers' political association is likely to secure, for it must not be overlooked that Mr. Carruthers is fighting for place and pay, and that this must deter many electors from supporting his declared followers. He may be a sincere reformer, but he places personal support before reform. No doubt a split of the kind would strengthen the Government and labour parties, who are both opposed to reform, but there is every reason to believe that even with such a split, if the People's Reform League can form branches in a majority of the electorates, and lay before the members the great importance of and necessity for reform, and that in the Local Government Bill provision should be made that all license fees (except publicans') and the tax on land now collected by the Government should be handed over to municipalities and shire councils for municipal revenue, a large majority of reformers would be returned.

Should Mr. Carruthers carry out his threat of running candidates against all who refuse to pledge themselves to support him he may, if he can secure the labour party, be able to oust the Government and take their places, but he will be powerless to pass the necessary measures of reform, which will be hung up for another three years; whereas, should he give up the demand for a pledge to support him as leader, and come to an agreement with the People's Reform League, a large majority in favour of reform is sure to be returned, and this majority would doubtless recognise Mr. Carruthers' past services (particularly as Minister for Lands in the Reid Government) as entitling him to be elected as leader of the Opposition, which position should lead to the Premiership.

Many of the members now supporting the Government are in favour of reform, but foolishly hold themselves bound by party ties to continue to give them their support, although they acknowledge that the Government have broken their election pledges, and by their action have brought the country to the verge of ruin. However, on the dissolution of the Assembly these party ties will be dissolved, and they will be free to follow their convictions and become reform candidates. This will cause a fusion which will put an end to the freetrade and protectionist parties, which for years past have enabled the labour party to dominate the Assembly and pass measures which have paralysed the country, and thrown thousands of men out of employment; and as a large number of workers are getting their eyes opened to the fact that private enterprise is a more powerful factor in providing employment than Government works constructed with borrowed money, the interest of which is a burden mainly borne by labour, it is therefore reasonable to believe that there will be a large secession from the union ranks (who now support the caucus vote), who will support reform or become labour reform candidates untrammelled by the caucus condition. Under these circumstances we are warranted in believing that reform candidates will be returned in an overwhelming majority to the new Assembly, and inaugurate a new party based on reproductive industries and affording employment to all able and willing to work.

I am, &c., ARCHIBALD FORSYTH.

April 27.

MEETINGS.

SIR EDMUND BARTON, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth, will deliver an ADDRESS on the POLITICAL SITUATION in the TOWN HALL on THURSDAY, the 30th inst. Galleries Reserved for Ladies and Gentlemen who accompany them.
No tickets for admission to body of hall.

TO THE ELECTORS of PETERSHAM.—TO-NIGHT, Tue., 28th, in Town Hall, Petersham, at 7.30, under the auspices of the W.C.T.U., Addresses will be given by J. J. Cohen, Esq., M.L.A., F. E. Maclean, M.H.R., and R. W. W. M'Coy, M.L.A., on the Importance and Responsibility of the Woman's Franchise. The Mayor presides.

GAS COOKING DEMONSTRATION at the Queen's Hall, 205 Pitt-street, THIS (TUESDAY) AFTERNOON, April 28th, at 2.30. New Patent Gas Stove. Dinner cooked for 10 persons at the cost of one penny.
ON VIEW at the Gas Company's Showrooms, Haymarket.

NEWTOWN-CAMPERDOWN Branch Liberal and Reform League.—A Public MEETING will be held in Town Hall, Newtown, THURSDAY, 30th April, 8 p.m. J. H. Carruthers, Esq., J. Ashton, Esq., W. J. Marsden.

WOMEN'S LIBERAL LEAGUE. Members' Bus. Meeting To-night, 7.45, St. Matthias', Padd. Lecture by J. D. Fitzgerald, 8.30.
HILMA PARKES, Org. Sec., 39 Upper William-st.

ELLIOT'S PATENT IMPROVED DOMESTIC FIN CO., Ld., in Liqn.—General MEETING Shareholders at 70 Pitt-street, Sydney, 4 o'clock WEDNESDAY, 27th May, 1903, to receive Final Accounts.
JAMES BEST, Liquidator.

WOMEN'S Electoral League, Burwood.—Mr. Bruce Smith addr. public meetg. To-night, Federal Hall, 8.

THE ILLAWARRA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

A Half-yearly General MEETING of Proprietors in this Company will be held at the Royal Exchange, Sydney, THIS DAY, the 28th April, at 11.30 a.m.
To receive a Report from the Board.
To elect Three Directors in the room of E. B. Hemming, C. T. Metcalfe, and A. C. Buchanan, Esquires, two only of whom are eligible for re-election.
To appoint two Auditors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may be brought before the meeting in terms of the Deed of Settlement.
By order of the Board.
T. H. JACKSON, Manager.

C. T. Metcalfe, A. C. Buchanan, David Fell, Joseph Palmer, and T. E. Synnott, Esquires, have given the requisite notice of candidature for the office of Director.

BUSINESSES FOR SALE OR WANTED.

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ZYCLYNE.—What will it do? Renovate linoleums and make them like new. Tins 1s, all storekeepers.

LOST AND FOUND.

LEFT in lavatory, Metropolitan Hotel, 2 Gold RINGS, keepsk., rew. E.W. L., 2nd fl., Stephen-st., 77 Eliz.-st.

LOST, in Kogarah, a Blue and White Terrier PUP, reward. F. Shambler, Kogarah-rd., nr. Webber's-rd.

LOST, at Paddington Town Hall, on the 17th April, a Paste BUTTON; reward. 197 Macquarie-st.

LOST, White POODLE from Dungate Inn, Liverpool-st. Reward. Answers name Tiny.

LOST between Macquarie and Pitt sts., Fur Necklet, whit. inside, rwd. 10s. Mr. Barry, C.C. Co., 387 Geo.-st.

LOST, Black Lambswool TIPPET, on Darling Pt.-rd., Monday afternoon. Reward, Kyalla, Darling Pt.-rd.

LOST, MACINTOSH, left on 8.25 Mosman steamer, Saturday morning; reward. 95 Pitt-st.

LOST, pair Eyeglasses, Sat. night, bet. Potts Pt. and Ocean-st. tram. Rew., Mr. Loney's, chemist, Wm.-st.

LOST, young Collie DOG, near Morgan-st. Reward. J. Harrison, 180 New Canterbury-rd., Petersham.

LOST, tram or train, Sunday, brown PURSE, cont. money. Reward. N. Hughes, 81 Miller-st., Pyrmont.

LOST, Sat. night, Gold Cable Bracelet, with Padlock, bet. Town Hall and 11 Cambridge-st., Stanmore. Rew.

LOST, bet. Bexley and Milson's Pt., Photo. Pendant, views Launceston; rew. W. Harris, Alhambra, Haskt.

LOST, Photographic Lens wrapped in black velvet, Balmoral Beach, Sund.; rew. J. Rolfe, 794 George-st.

LOST between King-st. and Hurstville station, Lady's Silver WATCH, reward. 326 George-st.

LOST, Fawn OVERCOAT, Hurstville, Mond., Apr. 27. Please send to F. Low's, newsagent, Hurstville; rew.

LOST, between Campbell and Pitt sts., Silver MEDAL, name round rim; reward. 13 Pitt-st., Milson's Pt.

LOST, Tan Bag PURSE, cont. money, Redfern station, A platform. Reward. Newsagent, Kogarah.

LOST in Moore Park, Saturday afternoon, Chesterfield COAT; reward. 35 Denison-st., Surry Hills.

LOST, Sat., bet. P'gton and railw. statn., Gold Bangle, with large opal. Reward. 142 Glenmore-rd., Padd.

LOST, Collie DOG, from Sadowa, 97 Glenmore-rd. Information given. Detainer prosecuted. Final notice.

LOST 2 small PARCELS, Saturday morning, addressed Mrs. Bradley. Rew. return. to Catchlove, A.M.P. Soc.

LOST, Mond., Gold Fob Chain, Geo., Pitt, Oxford, or Bourke sts. Reward. Apply 88 Fitzroy-st., S. Hills.

LOST, bet. Strathfield and Sydney, Gold Bamboo Bangle. Rew. Rosalie Villa, Auburn, T., 200 P'matta.

LOST, Bunch 4 small KEYS. Suitable Reward return to Hotel Metropole, Room 204.

LOST, Saturday, 25th, a large Tabby CAT (Tom). Reward, 5s. 10 Bowes-st., city.

LOST, Dia. Swallow BROOCH, bet. Circular Quay and Market-st., Fri., 24th; rew. G. W. Ash, 99A Pitt-st.

LOST between Gordon and Regent sts., Lady's Black Silk BAG. Reward at 86 Regent-st.

LOST in Crown-st., PARCEL, containing Silk, Monday evening, reward. 275 Crown-st.

LOST, 11-hand PONY, black with white star, unbranded. 6 Evans-st., Balmain.

LOST, Gold BROOCH, "Emma" on it; reward. 58 Broughton-st., Glebe.

LOST, sable-and-white Collie DOG, head half white and tan, detainer pros., rew. Æola, Falcon-st., N. Syd.

LOST 25th, Gold Brooch, has raised letters, bet. Rushcutter Bay and Vict.-st., rew. 79 Victoria-st., D'hst.

LOST, Cameo RING, broken column, between Darlinghurst and Circular Quay, rew. 178 Albion-st., city.

LOST, the Morning Headache, now that I stick to DICKEN'S WHISKY.

LEFT in doorway, corner King-street, Saturday night, small HANDBAG, including Music, &c. Reward on returning to
Manager, Queen's Hall, Pitt-street.

LOST, Lady's Gold Cable BRACELET, between Moore-street and Botanic Gardens, or in Gardens, between 11 and 1 o'clock Monday. Reward.
193 Macquarie-street, city.

LOST, out of sulky, Lady's Brown Fur NECKLET, between Albion-street and Newtown-road. Reward.
88 Albion-street, Surry Hills.

LOST, Edgecliff-road or Trelawney-street, Woollahra, a Brown Fur NECKLET, with gold chain attached. Reward. MEON STOKE,
Fullerton-street, Woollahra.

LOST, at Government House, on between there and the Australia Hotel, on the night of April 16, Pearl and Diamond BROOCH (insect design (Bee). Finder return to Manager, Evening News Office. Large reward.

LOST, 1 Brown HORSE with big hock, and 1 Pony MARE, from North Sydney. Reward at
JOHN POTTIE and SONS,
Castlereagh-street.

LOST, between Milson's Point 8.30 boat and Pitt-street, Sydney, Gold PENDANT, with photo. Finder rewarded on returning to
St. John's Lodge, Ridge-street, North Sydney.

REWD.—Lost, Cent. Park, Gold Amethyst Brooch, set in pearls. Mrs. W. Stark, 432 Oxford-st., Padd.

REWARD.—Lost, Dark-blue-and-Tan Terrier, answers Nig.; detainer prosecuted. 61 Church-st., N'town.

ROUND Gold BROOCH, old design, betw. Marrickville and Park-st.; handsome reward. 278 Wm.-st., Dist.

STRAYED, Scotch TERRIER, bitch, light to dark grey, answers to Lassie, reward. 60 George-st. West.

FOUND, PURSE, Sydenham, cont. Money, &c. Apply after 5.30 a.m. A. J. Cropley, Railway-par., Kogarah.

FOUND, about April 6, Lad.'s Silver Watch, Eliz. and Park sts. Owner give particulars. 8 Pitt-st., Waterloo.

FOUND, a PURSE, railway, Saturday night. Apply Mrs. E. Starke, 9 Old Parramatta-rd., Forest Lodge.

RANDWICK POUND.—Brown Horse, brand near shoulder not visible; Black Horse, hog mane, no visible brand; Black Mare, MS over — near shoulder, near hind leg very sore.

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BAR FITTINGS, at present in use at Mayman's Hotel, Pitt and King sts.

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MONSTER AUCTION SALE BUILDING MATERIALS.—Duxford House, Suffolk-street, Padd., rubble and clean chiselled Stone, Flagging, Cedar Doors and Windows, Joists, Scantlings. Thurs., 30th April, at 11.

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MADAM DIX (Edinburgh), Palmist, 12 Abercrombie-st., opposite St. Benedict's Church.

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SPIRITUALISM.—Mrs. HUGHES, Seance To-night; priv. daily, 11 to 4. 80 Newtown-rd., city.

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MR. STEPHENSON.—Seance at 8, daily 10 to 5. 61 Broadway, opposite University.

WANTED, kind Person to take Care of walking Child, 5s per week. J. W., Haymarket P.O.

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LECTURES.

THE ANALYTICAL HIGHER CRITICISM OF THE OLD TESTAMENT.

In reply to Professor HARPER, a LECTURE under the above title will, God willing, be delivered by the Rev. Canon MERVYN ARCHDALL, M.A., in the Y.M.C.A. (Pitt and Bathurst streets) Large Hall, THIS EVENING, April 28th, 1903. The chair will be taken by Rev. Canon JONES, M.A., at 8 p.m.
Collection for expenses.

ROYAL SOCIETY'S HALL, Elizabeth-street, upon "Drifting Sands of the West," by C. A. BENBOW, J.P., M.R.S.C., THURSDAY, 30th instant, 8 p.m.

A. N. A.—Senator R. E. O'CONNOR, K.C., LECTURES in the Redfern Town Hall, TO-NIGHT, Tuesday, April 28th, at 8 o'clock. Public cordially invited. S. HICKEY, Sec.

CHILD STUDY ASSN.—School of Arts, 8 p.m., Dr. MARY BOOTH, "Practical and Infant Hygiene."

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more or less damaged by water,

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

GAS COOKING DEMONSTRATIONS.
RALEIGH'S NEW PARAGON.
SCHOOL OF ARTS, PITT-STREET.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29th, at 2.30 p.m.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.
IN CONSEQUENCE of the UNPRECEDENTED SUCCESS of last Wednesday's TEST WITH ONE BURNER, Mr. M. RALEIGH, by request, WILL REPEAT THIS WEDNESDAY.

From time to time futile attempts have been made by innocent persons, apparently with more money than sense, to lower the prestige of the world-renowned Gas Stove,
RALEIGH'S "NEW PARAGON."
Now, in order to save these well-meaning, but misguided, individuals from making their bow at the Benevolent Asylum M. RALEIGH will on WEDNESDAY, the 29th inst., ROAST A 10lb JOINT OF BEEF, BAKE POTATOES, 2 PEACH PIES, 2 APPLE PIES, 2 RHUBARB PIES, 12 LARGE SCONES, ALSO BOIL AN 8lb. LEG OF MUTTON, POTATOES, TURNIPS, PARSNIPS, and CAULIFLOWERS at the same time with

ONE BURNER ONLY,
AT A COST OF ONE PENNY,
which is certified to by the highest authorities on Gas Cooking on the surface of this planet, namely,
STEPHENSON MACADAM, Doctor of Philosophy, Surgeons' Hall, Edinburgh,
and
PROFESSOR TATTOCK, Public Analyst and Gas Examiner to the City of Glasgow.
The Original Reports of these two Eminent Scientists will be read at the commencement of the demonstration.

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Now, if any aspirant to fame in the Gas Stove line will do the same amount of work with one burner, or twenty burners if he likes, at a cost of Fourpence, M. Raleigh, although a poor man, who is keeping alive simply to save funeral expenses, will donate £10 to the Drought Fund, or any other laudable object.

SPECIAL NOTICE.
I have been awarded gold and silver medals for Cooking Stoves, but never got one for bashfulness, and yet unless I was loaded down to Plimsoll mark with "Ballyho day Lemonade" or "Queensland rum," and expected every moment to be my next, I could not have the audacity to offer any other gas stove to an intelligent public with such a straight challenge as the above staring one in the face. I like to be candid, and call a spade a shovel.
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INDUSTRIAL ARBITRATION ACT, 1901.
NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO REGISTER AN INDUSTRIAL UNION.

NOTICE is hereby given that application has been made to register as an Industrial Union under the "Industrial Arbitration Act, 1901," the Association known as "The Electric Power Suppliers Association."
All notices of objection to such registration (together with affidavits in support of same) must be lodged with me within one month from the date hereof.
Dated the 28th day of April, 1903.
G. C. ADDISON, Registrar,
(4a-30) Industrial Arbitration Act.

ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The PORTRAIT in Oils, subscribed for by members of the Society,
will be Presented to the
PRESIDENT,
the Hon. Sir JOHN SEE, K.C.M.G., M.L.A.,
at Tattersall's-chambers,
Hunter and Castlereagh streets, Sydney,
on
TUESDAY, 5th MAY, at 2.30 p.m.
All Members are cordially invited to attend.
F. WEBSTER, Secretary.

INSPECTION OF GRAIN AND HAY IN THE ARGENTINE.—Mr. RUSSELL SMITH, of Buenos Ayres and Rosario, Argentine Republic, Official Inspector of Hay and Grain, begs to offer his services to the members of the Grain Trade as Inspector of Wheat, Maize, Linseed, Hay, Bran, &c., with Certificate, and also as Receiver in cases where Certificate is not required. An experience of many years in the Grain Trade, gained in London, in New York, and in Buenos Ayres, combined with the assistance of the numerous and capable staff acting under his orders, enables Mr. Russell Smith to assure the members of the Grain Trade that the Grain or other Produce loaded under his inspection may be relied on to give favourable results.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.
FARRELL'S-BUILDINGS,
73 KING-STREET.
My Premises will be CLOSED on MONDAY and TUESDAY, the 27th and 28th instant, to enable me to arrange my stock recently damaged by water. The whole stock will be offered to the Trade on WEDNESDAY MORNING, AT 9.15 SHARP.
ARTHUR P. STEWART,
late Chas. Perry, Stewart, and Co.
24th April, 1903.

THE AUSTRALIAN WIDOWS' FUND LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY, Limited.
LOST POLICY.
It is hereby notified that, in terms of the Lost Policies Act of 1825, it is the intention of this Society to issue a SPECIAL POLICY in lieu of No. 8423 on the life of GEORGE ALFRED CRISP, which is declared to have been lost.
Dated at Sydney this 27th day of April, 1903.
GEO. F. MURNIN,
Resident Secretary.

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NOTICE TO TRAINERS.—My Apprentice left me on or about April 16th. Trainers and others are cautioned not to employ him. WILLIAM NOUD, Trainer, 1 King-street, Randwick.

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SUMMER HILL, close to station.—Substantially built RESIDENCE, with large drawing and dining rooms, breakfast-room, 6 large bedrooms, kitchen, bath, &c., all offices. The residence stands on land 50 x 300 ft., in perfect position. As the owner is anxious to realise, no reasonable offer will be refused.
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NEWTOWN, nr. station, 2 Bk. Houses, 2 Bk. Cotts., £860, shows 12 p.c. Tullfree, 15A King-st., Newtown.

STANMORE.—For SALE, 7-r. 2-story B. HOUSE, large grds., 2 min. station, v. chp. J. G. Clegg, Newtown.

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HORSES AND VEHICLES.

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CASH OR TIME PAYMENT.—Twenty Horses, light and heavy, week's trial given; covered Waggon, Horse, and Harness, suit country, £12; Horse, Cart, Harness, £4; Village Cart, Horse, and Harness, £7; covered Cart, Horse, Harness, £7; 2 new Tipdrays, Gilpin axles; Pony, Sulky, Harness, £7; second-hand Sulky, £3; Tipdray, Horse, Harness, £12; 3 light Express Waggons, 6 new Dealers' Vans, light 'Bus; good Drag, suit country, £7; Spring, Farm, and Village Carts. Largest and cheapest saleyard in Sydney. BOBO Pine or Stream streets, off Abercrombie-st., back of St. Benedict's Church, off Geo.-st. W. Letters and country orders attended to immediately.

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ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE MURRAY WATERS.

PROBABLE AREA SUPPLIED.

A highly interesting point raised by the Premiers' agreement respecting the distribution of the waters of the River Murray is the relation of the supply to the acreage that may be irrigated. In what is described as "a typical low year" New South Wales is allowed to divert for irrigation 293,000 cubic feet per minute for the seven months July to January inclusive, and 190,000 cubic feet per minute for the five months February to June inclusive. This represents the whole of the supplies which may fall to the share of irrigators from the Upper Murray catchment area to below the junction at Kiewa, and from the Murrumbidgee and Darling catchments. The question which will come uppermost in the minds of settlers who hope to some day be served with water from the streams is how much land will these supplies suffice to irrigate. The only local example by which an approximate estimate may be given is that of the supplies to the Rodney Irrigation Trust, which draws its water from the Goulburn River. In the Rodney Trust the land is very similar to much of that which would be irrigated from the waters of the Murray, Murrumbidgee, and Darling rivers, and the water is applied to land for much the same purposes as it would be used for on the great delta of this State. The largest areas irrigated in Rodney are under ordinary grass, lucerne, and cereals, while there is doubtless a greater proportion of orchard land than would be planted in this State. The comparison between the supplies to Rodney and the area irrigated and the supplies to be allowed to New South Wales is very disappointing. The main channel of the Rodney Trust has a capacity of 100,000 cubic feet per minute, and the area of the Trust is 246,000 acres. During the visit of a special representative of the "Sydney Mail" to the area in October last there were applications in the office of the Trust for water to irrigate 30,000 acres. At the same time the full supply was being drawn, and only 10,000 acres were under water. It was estimated by the engineer that the 30,000 acres applied for would be irrigated within the course of three weeks, and as three weeks is considered quite long enough for the land to wait for a watering in a critical period it may be said that 100,000 cubic feet of water per minute is about sufficient to irrigate 30,000 acres. The watering was reckoned at 3in. The application was very wasteful, and it is admitted that the channels are for the most part too narrow to allow of quick distribution. Still, if we assume that all these defects will be remedied by New South Wales profiting from the mistakes of Victoria, it would be unsafe to depend upon 100,000 cubic feet per minute to irrigate more than 40,000 acres. Extending the calculation and allowing further margin for improved methods, we find that the supply allowed by the Premiers' agreement to New South Wales would be equal to irrigating only 120,000 acres from July to January inclusive, and only 80,000 acres from February to June. It is considered by experts that landholders who have to pay a rate to cover interest on the cost of construction of works, other than headworks, and in addition pay a fair price for the water supplied, must be able to irrigate at least 25 acres in every 200 held by them. On this basis the water supplied to New South Wales from February to June would irrigate one-eighth of 640,000 acres, and that from July to January one-eighth of 960,000 acres. In ordinary seasons very little land would be irrigated during the period when the greater supply would be allowed; therefore for practical purposes it may be assumed that our share would supply enough water to irrigate one-eighth of 640,000 acres. In addition to this the whole of the area would of course be supplied with water for domestic purposes and live stock, since that is a very small item in the account. Seeing that settlers on fully 2,000,000 acres of irrigable land expect to have water supplied for irrigation and stock, it is plain that immense storage reservoirs will be necessary in order to make the best use of our share of the streams.

PROSPECTS OF THE WHEAT CROP.

The recent rains have vastly improved the prospects of the wheat crop. It is singularly fortunate that nearly every important wheat-growing district has received a good ploughing rain, and the condition of the soil will ensure good germination for the seed going in, and also make the May sowings fairly safe. The Southern Riverina country, which carries more than one-third of the wheat crop of the State, received from one to two inches at a most critical period. In the Murray River districts Germanton had 2½ inches, Tocumwal, Finlay, Berrigan, Savernake over an inch, while further back Henty and Urana had over two. Jerilderie and the surrounding district were favoured with over three inches, a splendid fall, while Narrandera received over an inch. On the Murrumbidgee, Wagga came in for nearly five inches, Parcutta about the same, and Tumut over four. Junee scored an inch and a quarter, Cootamundra over an inch and a half, Muttama one and a half. Between the Murrumbidgee and the Lachlan, Temora received 136 points, Wyalong 229, Morangarel 172, Young 289, Boorowa 218, Taralga 352, Grenfell 167, and on the Lachlan Cowra had 244, Forbes 141, and Condobolin 123. Then a little further north Parkes had 230, Molong 297, Hill End 361, Mudgee 407, Gulgong 496, and westerly Dubbo 381, Dandaloo 320, Trangie 368. All the principal wheat districts of the north and some in the north-west had fair rains, sufficient to help the wheat already sown and to render the conditions more favourable for putting in further land. We may be sure that the settlers will make desperate efforts to retrieve their losses of last year by taking advantage of this rain to plant as many acres as possible. The result is certain to be an increase in the acreage for the State over that which would have been sown had the rains been further delayed. As we have previously pointed out, farmers faced the sowing season under terrible disadvantages. Horses were in low condition, horse-feed scarce and dear, the ground hard, and in many places the water supply was insufficient. In the circumstances it could not be expected that the area under wheat would approach that sown prior to the drought. At the same time, the fact that many farmers will hurry their crops into certain paddocks by using a cultivator on the surface will assist in making up the deficiency. Much of the land sown last year grew next to nothing, and is therefore in good heart this year. Such of this as is clean may be roughed over with the cultivator after the seed is sown on the surface, and the operation would mean a great saving in labour and horse-feed. The strength required to plough, sow, and harrow 100 acres of wheat would suffice to put about 300 acres in by surface cultivation. This style of farming is risky, and must, if persevered with, prove unprofitable, but if farmers are ever justified in taking the risk, this is surely the time. The largest area placed under wheat in the State was in 1900, when the total acreage was 1,860,000 acres. Low prices and insufficient railway facilities caused a falling off in the following season, and the drought interfered with the ploughing season of 1902, when the acreage fell to 1,600,000. There are, therefore, many old wheatpaddocks which have had a rest, and no doubt farmers will endeavour to sow these during the next two months. It is unlikely, however, that the area will touch that of 1900, and though a forecast must be little better than guesswork we should be inclined at this stage to state the probable area at between 1,600,000 and 1,700,000 acres. If we place it at 1,650,000 acres, and deduct 300,000 acres for hay, we have 1,350,000 acres to be harvested for grain. A good average crop would be 10 bushels to the acre, which would give 13,500,000 bushels. Say that wheat will return the farmer 2s 6d per bushel, the crop on this basis would give a gross return to the growers of £1,687,500, together with about 350,000 tons of hay.

HIGH VALUES FOR DAIRY CATTLE.

Dairy farmers who hope to make up losses in their herds, and those who propose establishing themselves in the industry, have a difficult and costly undertaking before them. Dairy cattle are at very high figures, and while breeders who have heifers coming on for sale in the spring may be congratulated on their good fortune, the present prices are likely to retard development in dairying to a considerable extent. There has been a very strong demand from Queensland since the rains changed prospects in that State, and it is satisfactory to notice that Queenslanders are buying up pedigree stock and animals of approved milking families. Their operations at the Sydney show stud sales practically made the success of the dairy cattle auctions, and considerable numbers of those knocked down went over the border. The demand in New South Wales is from two classes—farmers in the favoured districts who have made money and wish to increase their herds, and others who, having observed that the industry being mainly carried on in coastal districts suffered least of all in the drought, are anxious to go into dairying. On the Hunter River herd cows in profit are worth £10, £12, and £14 per head, on the South Coast and in Sydney prices are about the same, while sales on the Richmond River have been made at from £10 to £27 per head. This demand will certainly continue for some years to come provided the industry continues to be profitable. The number of cows actually in milk at the end of 1902 was 351,427, a decrease on the total at the same period of 1901 of 66,408. The divisional figures show that of the total number 251,971 were in the coastal districts, 67,229 on the table lands, 29,075 on the western slopes and Riverina, and 3152 on the western plains. These figures do not represent anything like the actual numbers of dairy cattle in the State, which taking dry cows and young stock into the account would probably be more than double the total of cows in milk. The statement, however, indicates the great value of dairying as a breeding industry alone. If we put the cows sent to the male at 450,000 the result should be an addition of some 400,000 head of cattle to the live stock of the State each year. Of this number a little more than half should be heifers, and probably some 70 per cent. of these heifers will be valuable milch cattle at two and a half years old. This branch of the industry, as well as the butter manufacturing branch, which comes first, depends to a great extent upon the reputation of the butter made in the State. If quality be maintained, and New South Wales butter holds its own on the export market milch cattle will pay well to breed, but if the butter be inferior, and prices fall the breeding branch must suffer in common with the manufacture.

RAIN-MAKING BY ELECTRICITY.

Shooting the clouds for rain seems to have lived out its brief period of public notice in Australia. There never was any solid reason for supposing that the theory could be put into practice with success, but when raindrops are as scarce as diamonds people will pin their faith to strange notions and peculiar cranks in the shape of rain-making experiments. It is easy to realise that the scientist who is supposed to forecast the weather feels a heavy burden of unpopularity pressing upon him when he cannot, in justice to his reputation, foretell useful rains. Also it is but natural that with this burden to carry he should seek in sheer desperation to produce some rain from somewhere. In the long run this prompting may lead to the discovery of some means of causing the clouds to disgorge moisture, but it must be said that at what we hope is the end of the great drought we are no nearer the realisation of the meteorologist's dream than we were at the beginning. The latest idea is that in dry seasons what the country really suffers from is lack of atmospheric electricity. Atmospheric electricity is supposed to have a very large influence over rainfall, and because a break-up of the dry weather is usually accompanied by a lot of electric fireworks it is argued that the necessary electricity should be supplied from the earth. A most ingenious proposition is put forward by Mr. Edward K. Baker, of Brindebango, Mitchell, Queensland, in a letter addressed to a member of the Upper House of that State. Mr. Baker suggests that the force of the water flowing in the artesian bores of the western country should be utilised by placing a turbine at each bore with a dynamo attached. He states that with an up-to-date turbine many of these bores would develop 20 to 30 horse-power each to work the dynamos. A tower of angle iron would be erected alongside each bore, and the electricity would be carried to the top by an insulated copper wire connected with a distributer which would work in any direction. Thus the clouds would be attacked, and Mr. Baker holds that they would be compelled to discharge the precious moisture instead of mocking the dry earth by passing away unbroken. According to a recent report in the "Malay Mail," quoted by Mr. Wragge, the idea is not new. Experiments have actually been carried on in Japan, and it is asserted that rain was produced by electricity, and fell over an area of several miles in extent, lasting for 12 hours. The operations, however, commenced at 11 p.m., and the rain began next morning at 9 o'clock, so that there is room for doubt if the electricity persuaded the rain to fall or if it just happened to rain in the ordinary way. In any case, it would seem that the operations would need to be carried out on a very extensive scale to make enough rain to benefit an Australian district.

ALOES AS STOCK FOOD.

Mr. A. J. Doust supplies further evidence on the value of what is presumed to be aloes as stock food. He states that he saved the lives of several head of cattle and brought them through the bad time when other stock were dying by using aloes boiled and raw, a little chaff being mixed with the boiled food.

On this subject, Mr. I. C. Lovegrove, of Orange Grove, Penshurst, writes:—"In perusing the valuable notes in 'On the Land,' I have been struck by the necessity of teaching agriculture and horticulture in our schools, so that varieties of plants may be correctly identified. How misleading have Mr. A. J. Doust's contributions of April 21 and also that of Mr. John Postlethwaite of the 23rd instant been to the general public! I am of the same opinion as 'Agave' in his comments on Friday, the 24th instant, that it is assuredly Agave Americana that the previous writers allude to and not aloe, as I am confident that no animal, either starving or otherwise, would attempt to interfere with the aloes. These two plants, though closely allied, belong to two different orders, the agave belonging to the natural order Amaryllideæ (Linnæus), and the aloe to the natural order Liliaceæ (Linnæus.)" Mr. Lovegrove has sent us a copy of a paper on aloes read by him before the Horticultural Society of New South Wales in February last.

QUEENSLAND CATTLE TICK.

"Interested" writes from Tweed Heads:—I read with interest the report by Mr. R. D. Jones (chief inspector of stock) on the Queensland cattle tick in your issue of the 22nd instant. From appearances the Stock Department is under the impression that everything is being done to keep the pest out. But as certain owners, referred to by Mr. Jones as the "conference, with the certain amount of persistency," are not satisfied that the present system of keeping out the tick is perfect, it is quite evident there is a flaw somewhere. Surely these stockowners who are so greatly interested are the most capable to judge. With reference to "the present muster of stray stock being made and examined," mentioned by Mr. Jones, I am a resident of the Tweed River district, and am not aware of any such muster being carried out at present, and being greatly interested in the subject I consider myself capable of passing an opinion. As it is most important that the tick should be found and if possible stamped out immediately on arrival in this State, I strongly advise that this muster and inspection be started immediately and be kept up, and be carried out only by able and energetic officers.

THE DAIRY CONFERENCE.

Mr. M. F. Morton, M.L.A., returns to the subject as follows:—"I am indebted to you for your offer of the use of your columns to further discuss the Dairy Bill, but I am not going to avail myself of same beyond an expression of opinion on your comments in Saturday's issue. Firstly, you state that the delegates to the recent conference 'came to oppose and remained to adopt the Dairy Bill.' I can hardly see that this is very complimentary to the same delegates. Possibly those districts which resented Government interference before the conference will also resent the action of their delegates in voting contrary to the wishes of the farmers who sent them there. I care not what resolutions were carried, but I do think it would have been wiser if those delegates, who so suddenly changed their opinions, had referred the question back to those on whose behalf they were acting instead of carrying a motion which is now claimed as an endorsement of the proposed bill. I have no intention of arguing the question as to the expediency of Government grading. Those who introduce an innovation of this description are bound by all custom to show how it will benefit the producer. To use your own words, those who think this, that, or the other thing prove nothing. It is for those endorsing this measure to prove it will be a benefit. So far all the arguments adduced by the department go to show it is more 'experimental' legislation. At the conference Mr. Kidd, in quoting the experience of other countries, made the following statement: 'Meantime Canada is forging ahead with Government supervision.' Now if this statement is correct why was the following printed in the Government 'Agricultural Gazette' of June, 1902: 'Professor Robertson writing from Ottawa says: We do not have here in Canada any system of grading butter, and there are no regulations covering the operation of cold stores. There has been no legislation in Canada with the view of regulating the export of dairy or other produce. We seem to have succeeded so well along the usual commercial lines that such action is not considered necessary.' Your readers might compare these statements, and they will see the sample of argument used by the authorities to prove their case. In conclusion, Sir, I cannot see how any amount of Government inspection of the manufactured article can be of any utility unless the 'raw material,' viz., the cream, is graded at the factory, and paid for according to value. It is in the memory of all of us that at one time milk supplied to factories was paid for as if all was equal in quality, but later on the suppliers believing that such was not the case insisted upon payment being made according to quality and test. This was done, and has given every satisfaction since, and in addition the quality of the milk has much improved. The factories are now proceeding to adopt the same principle with their cream supplies, and believing that this course will have the desired effect in improving the output and promoting the welfare of the industry I naturally object to the Government interference as shown in the grading clauses of the proposed bill."

THE INSPECTION OF IMPORTED FRUIT.

Mr. James Rule, Fruit Exchange, writes:—"At the annual gathering of the fruit trade, which took place last Saturday, several very important matters relating to the production and importation of fruit were adverted to in the speeches. The Minister for Agriculture favoured the company with a very lucid address, in which he showed that he had a thorough grasp of the requirements of the industry. One important matter, however, was overlooked, and that was with regard to the irksome conditions under which the necessary inspection of fruit entering Sydney is carried out. At present New South Wales is the chief customer for Tasmanian fruits, and under the mode of inspection, which takes place on the Sydney wharfs, all fruit condemned as infected has to be reshipped from the State. Generally it is sent on to Queensland, where no matter what its quality may be it is always disposed of at a very great loss. It often occurs that magnificent samples of fruit have to be condemned when only slightly affected. What the Sydney agents suggest and what would prove an undoubted benefit to Tasmanian growers would be that inspection take place on the Hobart wharfs. Infected fruit then would not be shipped at all, but would be disposed of within that State. The examination of fruit in Sydney is often carried out to the great disadvantage and loss of the growers in this way. The apple season covers the winter period, and the inspection is made on the open wharfs, where fruit has to remain until the inspection is completed. If on the other hand the inspection could be made at the Hobart wharfs it would be done under cover. There should be little difficulty for the Minister making a satisfactory arrangement with the Hobart authorities in this matter. The Minister for Agriculture should be approached by a deputation and the matter clearly laid before him. The exhaustive address delivered by Mr. Edwards, M.P., on the same occasion, in which he contrasted the comparatively small production of fruit in New South Wales with the marvellous progress made by Victoria, should emphasise the necessity for something further being done to encourage and protect the industry here besides the mere inspection of imports on the wharfs. In conclusion, Sir, I beg to congratulate you on the great service you are now rendering New South Wales' interests by your admirable column devoted to agricultural matters headed 'On the land.' It will do more than anything I know of, not only by way of spreading information but by creating a deep public interest in all that makes for progress and prosperity in our midst."

DISTRICT ITEMS.

FORBES.—At the annual meeting of the local branch of the Farmers' and Settlers' Association on Saturday the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. H. W. Luhrs; vice-presidents, Messrs. Lloyd and Kennedy; treasurer, Mr. T. M. Dunne; secretary, Mr. Frank Miller.

TAMWORTH.—Farmers are very jubilant at last week's rain. Some already have wheat in the ground, and the fall which totalled nearly an inch will give it a good start. Herbage has been freshened up, for although the country has been looking well grass was beginning to wither away. The rain being of a soaking nature has considerably softened the ground, and those farmers who awaited the downpour before starting ploughing are commencing operations with all haste. The weather has turned cold.

YETHOLME.—The district has much benefited by the rains of last week and is looking splendid. Ploughing will be in full swing this week.

CAPE HAWKE SHOW.

FORSTER, Monday.

The sixth annual exhibition of the Cape Hawke A. and H. Association, held on Friday and Saturday, was a pronounced success. The attendance was large. The principal prize winners were Messrs. Burgess, Benson, Garden, M'Bride, Mesdames Aldridge, Dow, and Miles.

STOCK MOVEMENTS.

NYNGAN, Monday.

A large number of sheep, cattle, and horses, Eidola, of Burrawong, owner, are now approaching, en route for grass country on the Lower Bogan and here.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Amongst the local stock passings last week were the following:—125 cattle and 40 horses, Wellington to Coolbaah, W. A. Gardiner owner, Matthews in charge; 3000 sheep, Wellington to Coolabah, E. A. Smith owner, Dillon in charge; 3000 sheep, Wellington to Coolabah, E. A. Smith owner, Smith in charge; 3000 ewes, Bodangora to Burroway, E. and A. Scott owners.

WAGGA, Monday.

Stock passings: 8250 merino ewes, A.M.L. and F. Company, Eumonyhareenyha to Coonong Downs; 1780 mixed sheep, Scottish Investment Company, Gunmain to Bourke; 3150 mixed weaners, J. S. Horsfall, Bomen to Berrigan; 480 wethers, Thompson, Wagga to Cootamundra.

NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

THE PROTECTION OF FEMALES.

DEPUTATION TO THE PREMIER.

A large deputation of ladies was introduced by the Hon. Dr. Mackellar, M.L.C., to the Premier and Attorney-General yesterday. The associations represented were the Women's Progressive Association, the National Council of Women, the Warringah Women's Political Association, the Women's Political and Social Crusade, the Women's Electoral League (Parramatta), the Women's Liberal League, the Women's Political and Educational League, the Women's Christian Temperance Union, the Sydney Rescue Society of Good Templars, and the State Children's Relief Board. Mr. B. R. Wise (Attorney-General) received the deputation for Sir John See, who arrived late with the Minister for Public Instruction.

The Hon. Dr. Mackellar said that the special purpose of the deputation was to impress upon the Government in the strongest way the urgent necessity for the amendment of the laws in regard to the protection of infant life, the care of neglected and uncontrollable children, and the adoption of more humane and rational methods in the treatment of criminal children, if children could be said to be criminal in the ordinary sense of the term. With regard to the necessity for the protection of infant life, especially that unfortunate class, the illegitimates, who were almost without exception denied a father's care, it sufficed to say that the excessive mortality to which the class was subject was a humiliation to the people of the State, and the absence of a law which would enable an unfortunate woman to readily and without the humiliation of unnecessary publicity establish her just right said little for the manliness of the legislation. The deputation also wished to give the views of the women upon the question of the care and control of neglected children. It was notorious that the streets were thronged with children—boys who began life by uncontrolled street selling, which almost invariably led to habits of gambling, and not infrequently ended in a criminal life; whilst the fate of girls who followed a similar life was still more deplorable, as it frequently led to lives of grossest immorality. In regard to the treatment and reform of children who had committed offences against the law, the women of the State held strong views, and he might say personally that the adoption of the Youthful Offenders Act, which was passed in England in 1901, could scarcely fail to cause parents to more fully recognise their responsibility for the good behaviour of their children. Under that law, where it appeared to the court that the neglect or conduct of the parent had conduced to the commission of the child's offence, the parent might be joined with the child in the charge. The deputation desired also to urge upon the Government the necessity for raising what is called the age of consent—the age at which a girl could legally consent to her own ruin. This object might be gained by substituting the word seventeen for fourteen in all the clauses of the Crimes Act which dealt with the subject.

Mrs. Martel (president of the Women's Progressive Association) said that women, now they had the franchise, would not stop till they brought about desirable social legislation. She desired that young unmarried mothers of children should receive adequate protection, and hoped that the proposed bill would establish the parentage of illegitimate children, and throw the burden of them upon the fathers as well as the mothers. Every State child she considered should be taught a trade.

Mr. Wise: I am willing to accept that amendment.

Miss A. Golding said that State children were apprenticed out too soon. She said that the highest Australian illegitimate birth-rate existed in this State. She complimented the Government upon its social legislation, and hoped that the heart would not be disconnected from politics.

Speeches were also delivered by Mrs. Robert Farrell, Mrs. Dickie, Mrs. Dwyer, Mrs. M'Donald, Mrs. Wynn, and Dr. Grace Bowker.

The Hon. Dr. Mackellar added that he would like to see the power given to magistrates regarding the presence of persons in court in certain cases extended.

Mr. Wise said he thought that could be arranged.

Sir John See thanked the deputation for the kind expressions of approval of the work of the Government. He would endeavour to accomplish what the deputation asked. He had complete sympathy with their proposals, and considered that men should be made to accept the responsibility of the paternity of their illegitimate children. It was refreshing to hear the matters submitted by the deputation so fearlessly yet modestly spoken about. The State would take care of the children and do its best to punish or sheet home blame to the men who ruined women. The man who ruined a woman's honour had committed a crime as serious as burglary. He hoped no election would take place till the women's voting power was secured, but before that he hoped to have the two bills referred to by the deputation relative to the protection of children passed into law. The Government meant business, and if there were any attempts to block the progress of legislation the Government knew what to do. They would not brook obstruction, but deal with it promptly. Everything would be done to carry out the wishes of the large and influential deputation. He complimented the Hon. Dr. Mackellar for his work in the matter.

Mr. Wise in response to calls said the legislation proposed was dear to his heart. He would assist in the adoption of methods that would ensure the rapid passing of the desired laws. He would gladly explain the provisions of the State Children's Relief Bill to any meeting the ladies desired, and in response to an invitation to do so made a promise to speak on the subject. In spite of the press the Government would pass this much-needed social legislation.

A vote of thanks was accorded the Premier and Attorney-General.

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THE FISHERIES COMMISSION.

A preliminary report on the fishing investigations carried on during the quarter ended March 31 has been furnished to the Commission by Mr. H. Dannevig. On October 27, 1902, the Fisheries Commissioners approved of a scheme of work for investigations to be carried out in connection with fisheries, and this has formed the basis for various inquiries undertaken. The want of proper gear for the purpose was much felt, and for reason several important matters had been deferred altogether, or only dealt with in a preliminary manner. Attention was more particularly given to another question of equal importance, viz., to discover the nature of the eggs by which the fishes are reproduced. It was more or less commonly accepted that most of these fishes entered the various rivers and other coastal waters, there to deposit their spawn in suitable places, and unless anything to the contrary was found out there was no reason why such might not be the case. With a view, however, of determining whether any fishes on our coast have floating (pelagic) eggs the surface water in various localities was first examined by means of a fine silk net, which was slowly towed through the water. This work was commenced in November, and since that date periodical examinations have been carried out in many places with the result that under certain conditions a considerable quantity of eggs has been found drifting at or near the surface. Many of the principal coastal waters between Jervis Bay and Cape Hawke have been examined, and as regards the occurrence of floating eggs one important fact must be recognised. While the floating eggs are very abundant outside the heads of various waters and on the coast generally, they become more and more scarce with the increased distance inland. And in the upper parts of all the waters examined they are altogether absent, although the physical conditions necessary for their existence have in many instances been present. Very important conclusions are indicated by these results, and they point to the necessity of investigations on other lines. An inquiry has been commenced regarding various points related to the life history of the Murray cod, and a series of experiments with artificial oyster culture has been initiated.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—One cannot help asking, when he looks at weights of fish decided upon by the Fisheries Board, whether the board was guided by the reports of scientific authorities of the Fisheries Department. The alterations made are of a drastic character, and do not in several instances, in my opinion, afford that degree of protection to the fish which, in view of the depleted state of many of the nurseries, is regarded by many people as absolutely necessary. Take the whiting for example. The board has reduced the weight of this fish from 6oz. to 3½oz. Will anyone say that he has ever caught or seen more than one or two fish of the latter weight bearing roe? Six ounces was, I think, too high a weight, but was there not some reasonable weight between 6oz. and 3½oz.? Five ounces would have been a fair weight. A 3½oz. whiting is about 6in. long, or at the most 7in. If one takes off an inch and a half for the head and an inch and a bit for the tail he finds himself in possession of a morsel of fish full of bones. There is no protection to the whiting in the weight decided upon, but the majority on the board apparently had it all their own way in the interests of net fishermen, who would destroy everything that swims that is good to eat. Sea mullet have been reduced from 8oz. under the old Act to 6oz. under the new. Eight ounces would have been a fair weight for these fish, and have allowed the inspectors a chance to give a netter a few underweight fish when they were inspecting his catch. Other varieties of mullet, which include the sand and flat-tail, have been reduced to the inadequate protective weight of 4oz. These fish may be well roed at that weight, but the roe cannot be much good for the production of fry. If we are to believe scientific authorities they should breed at least twice before they can be considered good stock. All the fish marked at 6oz. would have been better protected if they had been fixed an ounce higher. Black bream, black and red rock-cod, salmon, nannegai, carp, and sergeant baker might have been placed at 7oz., at anyrate for two years, until they were shown to be plentiful in their old haunts again. They should have been treated the same as pig fish and john dory, which are on it rarely caught, and never have been very plentiful. The board might have given the lengths or approximate lengths of the fish alongside the weights. In case this may not be done I am submitting a list of the fish, with the weights and approximate lengths juxtaposited as follows:—Red bream, 6oz. or 8in.; black bream, 6oz. or 7in.; blackfish, 7oz. or 7in.; tarwhine, 6oz. or 7in.; black rock-cod, 6oz. or 7in.; red rock-cod, 6oz. or 8in.; gurnet, 4oz. or 6in.; flathead, 7oz. or 10in.; sea mullet, 6oz. or 9in.; sand or flat-tail mullet, 4oz. or 6in.; whiting, 3½oz. or 6in.; flounder, 4oz. or 6in.; sole, 4oz. or 6in.; pike, 3oz. or 5in.; trevally, 4oz. or 5½in.; gar, 1½oz. or 8in.; teraglin, 12oz. or 13in.; salmon, 6oz. or 8in.; grouper, 12oz. or 10in.; kingfish, 16oz. or 13in.; nannegai, 6oz. or 8in.; carp, 6oz. or 8in.; john dory, 8oz. or 9in.; jewfish, 16oz. or 14in.; pigfish, 8oz. or 8½in.; pilchard, 1oz. or 4in.; herring, 1oz. or 4½in.; sergeant-baker, 6oz. or 8in.; morwong, 12oz. or 9in.; eel, 4oz. or 8in.; long tom, 5oz. or 8in. Fresh-water fish: Cod or Murray cod, 2lb. or 15in.; perch, 5oz. or from 8in. to 10in., according to the variety; cat fish, 6oz. or 8in.; trout, 12oz. or 13in.; blackfish, called gadopsis or mountain trout in various places, 5oz. or 8in. The lengths will vary slightly according to the condition in which they are. All boats can be marked on the thwart or side seats or edges of the gunwale up to 2ft. without any difficulty. People can never be got to weigh their fish. I am, &c.,
CHARLES THACKERAY.
A.F.A. Club-room, April 24, 1903.

Sir George White, in a letter read at the Ladysmith anniversary dinner at the Hotel Cecil, said: "My principal duty at home has been to put the defence of Ladysmith in its true light and to claim for its brave garrison the public gratitude to which it is entitled."

A TORPID LIVER.

KIDNEY SYMPATHY.

A REMEDY TO THE RESCUE.

THE CASE OF MRS. B. FLEGG.

(For "The Times.")

In the report which is here presented to the reader the circumstances certainly justified the institution of a searching inquiry, and on a reporter's arrival at No. 31 Bellevue-street, Redfern, he inquired if Mrs. Bridget Flegg would grant a brief interview.

"I am always ready to devote a little of my time to a good cause," replied Mrs. Flegg.

"Thank you," was the reply. "Will you inform me for what complaint you were receiving medical treatment?"

"Well, the doctors were treating me for heart disease, but after events showed that they were very far out of their reckoning, for when I had been paying away money to them for two years and a half, and had not gained twopence halfpenny worth of benefit from their medicine, a friend urged me to try some Clements Tonic, and under its curative properties I got all right again. My word, what a surprise it was to me and all my acquaintances! and to think that I had been living in continual dread that I was going to die of heart disease. There were, certainly, indications that my heart was affected, for it used to palpitate in such a dreadful manner that I was afraid to move, but the cause of it was that my liver and kidneys were diseased, and my friend knew what he was doing when he told me to take a course of Clements Tonic."

"Were your sufferings very great, Mrs. Flegg?"

"Oh, sometimes they were more than I could bear, for my stomach hurt me so much that I was doubled up with pain on many occasions. This usually happened if I had been taking any food, when I became uncomfortably stuffed out and with a feeling of oppression that was detestable. Not that I cared for eating, as my appetite was very poor, and everything alike having a bitter taste; but I had to take a little now and then to keep myself going. I got no benefit whatever from sleep, because what brief stretches of it I got were deprived of their restful effect through the incursion of dreadful dreams, the recollection of which made me feel timid even in the daytime. But, then, I was very nervous besides, with a constant fear of approaching evil always on my mind, and ready to twitch and tremble at the least sound. Severe pains seemed to be connected between my liver and kidneys, and often I felt so feeble that I could not stand on the floor. Indeed I was lying down the greater part of the day, quite unable to do any work, and consequently as miserable and hopeless as any woman could be. Terrible pains in my temples affected me so that I could scarcely see, my eyes also feeling swollen, and I felt giddy and powerless if I exerted myself in the least. After almost three years' incessant torture I would never forgive myself if I did not let the whole world know that Clements Tonic cured me, especially when so many suffer without knowing what to take to mitigate their distress. Four or five bottles of Clements Tonic did what the medicine prescribed by several doctors failed to do. From Clements Tonic I gained ease from the pains in my stomach, while the pains in my temples drifted away like chaff before the wind. Soon I was able to sleep till morning, and I had more inclination to move about than formerly, as my limbs were freer from aches, and there was a greater supply of vitality noticeable every day. I used to say that Clements Tonic gave me a horse's appetite, but that was all the better in view of the fact that I could digest what I had eaten, as well as having no trouble through my heart palpitating. All anxious fears were then cast aside, for my nerves had been so strengthened by Clements Tonic that there was not a tremor left in them, and my recovery was almost complete. There was only a little more weight to be added to my body, and this came with a further use of Clements Tonic, to which medicine I shall ever be thankful for saving me when all else failed."

"Have any of your old symptoms returned?"

"Not one of them, so I can safely say I am permanently cured, and you can publish my story in any way possible."

STATUTORY DECLARATION.

I, BRIDGET FLEGG, of 31 Bellevue-street, Redfern, in the State of New South Wales, Commonwealth of Australia, do solemnly and sincerely declare that I have carefully read the annexed document, consisting of three folios, and consecutively numbered from one to three, and that it contains and is a true and faithful account of my illness and cure by Clements Tonic, and also contains my full permission to publish in any way my statements, which I give voluntarily, without receiving any payment; and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Oaths Act, 1900.

Bridget Flegg

Subscribed and declared at Redfern, this twenty-fifth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and two, before me,
PATRICK STANLEY, J.P.

NOTE.—Never take a package of Clements Tonic from a retailer that is tampered with in any way. Refuse every package that is not neat and clean, or where the labels are broken, or where the carton is plastered over with advertisements. Report every attempt at imposition to us.—Advt.

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BIRTHS.

CRESPIGNY.—April 25, at 413 Miller-street, North Sydney, the wife of Philip Champion de Crespigny, of a daughter.

...ARR.—April 24, 1903, at her residence, Adelaide-street, Blayney, the wife of Dr. A. Smith Marr, of a daughter. Both doing well. Melbourne papers please copy.

SILVER WEDDINGS.

TAYLOR—MARSH.—April 25, 1878, at St. John's, Uralla, by the Rev. D. M. Sinclair, Frederick George, third son of the late W. T. Taylor, of Terrible Vale, Uralla, to Margaret Lucy, youngest daughter of the late C. W. Marsh, of Salisbury Court, Uralla.

DEATHS.

HILDER.—April 26, at his residence, Main-street, Mittagong, John, dearly beloved husband of Alice Hilder, in his 69th year.

RICHARDSON.—April 25, at her parents' residence, Epping, Bessie, the eldest daughter of Harry and Matilda Richardson.

TAIT.—At her residence, Flavel Villa, Penkivil-street, Bondi, Helen Mary Tait (nee Flavel), relict of the late John Tait, and the beloved mother of Mrs. Charles Uhr. No flowers. Asleep in Christ.

TINDALL.—At the residence of his sister, Mrs. J. Warren, 12 Francis-street, Hyde Park, Nathaniel Albert, sixth son of the late John Tindall, late of Liverpool, N.S.W., aged 38.

TROLLOPE.—April 26, Edwin Charles, dearly loved husband of Ellen Trollope, aged 58 years. At rest.

IN MEMORIAM.

BRUCE.—In loving memory of my dear sister, Ada, who died April 28th, 1887. Mrs. J. Bell.

CATHER.—In affectionate remembrance of my dear husband, Robert Cather, who died at his residence, Ocean-street, Woollahra, 28th April, 1898, aged 61 years. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving wife, Margaret Cather.

ELLIOTT.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Mary Elliott, who died on the 28th of April, 1902. Inserted by her son, Horace.

ELLIOTT.—In loving remembrance of our dear mother and grandmother, Mary Elliott, who died on the 28th of April, 1902. Inserted by her loving daughter, Theresa, and granddaughters, Mary and Florence.

LAWRENCE.—In loving remembrance of my loving husband and fond father, Augustine Lawrence, who was shot at Rochdale April 28th, 1902. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving wife and children.

LIDGATE.—In sad but loving remembrance of dear mother, who died April 27th, 1901. As the ivy clings to the oak so shall my memory cling to thee. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Edith and Joseph Clutton.

MORRIS.—In loving memory of this sad day on which, one year ago to-day, passed away from us for ever my dearly beloved wife, Elizabeth Morris, a loving wife and kind mother. Deeply loved but sadly missed.

What happy hours we once enjoyed,
How sweet their memory still,
But they have left an aching void
This world can never fill.
I dream I see your dear, sweet face,
And kiss your loving brow,
And whisper as I loved you then,
I love your memory now.
The heart's keen anguish only those can tell
Who bid the dearest and the best "farewell."

Inserted by her loving husband, George Morris.

MORRIS.—In fond and loving remembrance of my dear mother, Elizabeth Morris, who died April 28th, 1902. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving son, Sydney Morris, and Violet.

MORRIS.—In sad but cherished memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Morris, who departed this life April 28, 1902.

MORRIS.—In fond and loving memory of my dear sister, Elizabeth Morris, who died April 28th, 1902. Inserted by her loving sister, Mary Davis.

MORRIS.—In fond and loving remembrance of our dear aunt, Elizabeth Morris, who departed this life April 28th, 1902. Inserted by her loving nieces, Amy and Beatrice Davis, also Mrs. Brown.

PATERSON.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear wife, Emily Paterson, who passed into a higher life on April 28th, 1902, in her 62nd year. At rest. Inserted by her loving husband, Alfred Paterson.

PATERSON.—In sad but loving memory of my dear mother, Emily Paterson, who died suddenly at her residence, 40 Glenmore-road, Paddington, April 28, 1902.

Farewell, dear mother, thy days are passed,
You loved us while your life did last;
You always strove to do your best,
And now you have gone seek your rest.

Inserted by her loving son, Sid. Paterson.

PATERSON.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Emily Paterson, who died suddenly, April 28th, 1902, aged 63 years. A better mother never lived. Inserted by her sorrowing son, Rowland P. Paterson.

PATERSON.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Emily Paterson, who died April 28th, 1902. Sadly missed. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Alice and Charles Dransfield.

PATERSON.—In sad and loving memory of my dearly loved mother, Emily Paterson, who departed this life 28th April, 1902, at 40 Glenmore-road, Paddington. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. F. Turnock.

She lives with me in memory still,
And will for evermore.

PATERSON.—In sad but loving remembrance of our darling mother, Emily Paterson, who passed into a higher life on April 28th, 1902, in her 62nd year. At rest. Inserted by her affectionate son and daughter, Adeline and Cecil Paterson.

I heard the voice of Jesus say
"Come unto me and rest."

PATERSON.—In sad but loving memory of my dear friend, Emily Paterson, who died suddenly at her residence, 40 Glenmore-road, Paddington, April 28, 1902. Leaves may wither but memory never. Inserted by Alice Davis.

ROBBINS.—In sad but loving memory of my dear husband and our dear father, John William Robbins, who departed this life April 28th, 1898. Inserted by his loving wife and family.

ROLLINGS.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear husband and father, John Rollings, who departed this life 28th April, 1899. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by his loving wife and children. M. A. Rollings.

RUSSELL.—In fond and loving memory of my dearly loved and only daughter, Eliza Jane, who died April 28th, 1891, aged 5 years.

With the redeemed in glory,
So beautiful and fair,
My angel child seems drawing
My heart and footsteps there.

Inserted by her loving mother, F. E. Russell, Cart-street, Ashfield.

WHEELER.—In loving memory of my dear daughter, who departed this life 28th April, 1902. Inserted by her loving mother, Ann Jones.

WHEELER.—In loving memory of my dear sister, who departed this life 28th April, 1902. Inserted by her loving sister, Martha Williams.

RETURN THANKS.

Mrs. M'INDOE returns THANKS for the great kindness and practical sympathy shown to her during her recent sad bereavement.

Mrs. and the Misses and Mr. THOMAS GRAVES desire to return sincere THANKS for the many tokens of sympathy expressed during their recent sad bereavement.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1903.

THE FEDERAL PREMIER IN SYDNEY.

Sir Edmund Barton is announced to-day as having arranged to address a public meeting at the Town Hall on Thursday evening, and we are now in sight of the something for which the people of New South Wales have waited so long in vain. It may be urged, of course, that Sydney is not New South Wales. But it is so far the centre of information and enterprise that to ignore it is to ignore the people of the State, and that is practically what the Premier of the Commonwealth has done since criticism of his policy became insistent and forcible. He has found time to make speeches everywhere but in Sydney. His colleagues have travelled up and down, as Mr. Kingston is now doing through Queensland, defending the Government's action and fighting for their own hands, but they have with one or two exceptions sedulously avoided the principal centre of population in New South Wales. Sir William Lyne, it is true, did at last pluck up courage to face an audience in this city a few months ago, and his tactics on that occasion enabled him to boast of the fine reception he had received. But his chief found no inspiration in the event. The Minister for Home Affairs had gone to spy out the land, and had returned with what looked like fine fruit; but Sir Edmund Barton was no more eager to visit Sydney to explain his position in public, after Sir William's valiant foray than he was before. Now, however, he has plucked up courage. Whether Mr. Kingston's beating of the big drum has emboldened him, or whether his reception at Maitland has put new fire into his heart, need not be decided here. It is enough that he is coming, and without waste of time. We can only hope that the speech on Thursday night at the Town Hall will be worthy of the long travail that has preceded it. With calls for a public deliverance so continuous and emphatic as have been made by Sydney, there should be no question as to the inspiration available if the Premier can only rise to the occasion. And we may further remark that his studied neglect of the principal city of the Mother State need not make him apprehensive of obtaining a fair hearing. The audience which will gather will, we believe, give him every opportunity of defending himself and his Administration. He is entitled to the fullest consideration as head of the Federal Government, and on that account alone he should be listened to with attention and respect. But this is only advancing reason why the coming speech should be one of a long series, not the first of a belated electioneering string. For it is now clear that the Ministers are preparing for battle. They have already struck the initial blows, and are determined to waste no time. Yet, whether Sir Edmund Barton speak as a statesman expounding a policy or as a candidate for re-election, he must cover much the same ground so far as this State is concerned; and all we ask is that he shall make specific reply to many months of vigorous criticism and objection, so that there may be some relief from the generalities of the past.

THE TARIFF ISSUE.

From the addresses of Sir Edmund Barton at West Maitland and Mr. Reid at Deniliquin we are able to gather some idea of the outlook for next federal session and the general election. The federal Prime Minister has now completed the tour of his electorate, and though he has not told us much he has at least made clear his intention to stand by the anti-federal tariff which has so much disappointed the hopes of federalists by postponing the completion of the federation. We gather that Sir Edmund Barton puts his protectionist sympathies first and his federal professions second. Had that fact been made as clear two years and more ago as it is now the history of the beginnings of this Commonwealth would have been different. But the main burden of the Prime Minister's argument now appears to be, as he says, that it is of no use crying over spilt milk, that if we are disappointed in our first federal Ministers we should put up with them lest a worse thing befall, and that Sir Edmund Barton and those who have shaped his policy exhaust the constructive and governing power of the Federal Parliament. The Prime Minister put this view plainly on Saturday night, when he told his audience that the Opposition leader "did not understand federation or the Constitution, and would make a botch of it, the same as anybody else who did not understand it." There is a fairly widespread impression in many parts of the Commonwealth, and in none more so than in this State, that this undesirable end has in some respects already been achieved, and that a temporary "botch" has indeed been made of federation, which will require even more waste of valuable time and the exercise of considerably more constructive ability than we have witnessed in the past to retrieve.

If it were not for the opportunity which the next few months may offer us before Parliament dissolves to make up arrears of necessary constructive legislation, Federal Ministers might expect to have a busy time with the Opposition before the two Houses dissolve. But just at present other and more pressing matters intervene. Ministers are becoming addicted to the practice of challenging the Opposition on patriotic and federal grounds. It is a quaint misuse of phrases, but that may be allowed to pass. In this instance the Opposition is displaying its loyalty to federalism by refraining from harassing the Government during the next few months, thus leaving its hands free to give us those much-needed machinery measures which should have been part of the earliest programme of Ministers. They were more concerned with their anti-federal tariff then, and they have so arranged matters that further consideration of that subject must be postponed so that Ministers may have no further excuse or pretext for postponing the required machinery measures now. Yet Ministers entrusted with the shaping and directing of our first steps in federation invite us to admire the success of these tactics, and to perceive the disadvantage at which they have placed their opponents, who can only criticise the tariff at the expense of legislation which should have been taken in hand from the first. This sort of thing may be excellent tactics, but it does not do much credit to the higher politics of the Commonwealth as represented by our first Federal Ministers.

RUSSIA AND MANCHURIA.

About five weeks ago the "Times" published a communication from its vigilant correspondent in China, Dr. Morrison, respecting the movements of the Russians in Manchuria. Summing up the facts, he remarked "if, then, we think that Russia in conformity to the letter of the Manchurian Convention is really withdrawing from Manchuria, we are deluding ourselves sadly." Events are bearing out that statement. The Convention was signed at Peking in April, 1902, and it provided that the evacuation should be finally effected before October of the present year. Our cables of the past few days, however, tell a very different tale. On Saturday we learnt by cable that Russia has imposed new conditions before undertaking to release her grasp on the territory she has brought under her sway, and these terms are described by Reuter's correspondent as implying practical cession and exclusive Russian interest in the provinces. This had been already made clear, indeed, for we learnt on Saturday that China was commanded not to cede any other treaty port in Manchuria, thus securing Russian commercial control, as well as to pay all customs collections into the Russo-Chinese Bank and leave administrative control to Russian officials only. This discloses a serious state of affairs, although subsequent cables which we are able to give this morning show that the crisis is not yet so acute as was supposed. Thus we heard that Japan, which disapproves of Russian aggression in those regions as a menace to her own security, had despatched three warships to Niu-chwang, presumably in support of the action of the Chinese Foreign Minister, Prince Ching, who formally rejected the Russian demands. This, however, is discounted by our cable of this morning to the effect that it is not considered probable that Japan's resistance will go the length of war.

We have no need to remind ourselves how deeply we are interested in Japan's decision. Great Britain and Japan are allies now, and in the event of that country resisting by force the designs of Russia we must inevitably be drawn into war. Should such a calamity occur there is little reason to doubt that the combined fleets of Great Britain and Japan in Far Eastern waters, and the comparative ease with which the military forces of Japan could be drawn upon for service in Manchuria, would place Russia at a disadvantage. It is quite true that she has been steadily increasing her fleet in the North Pacific for some time past, and that the Siberian railway will provide a convenient means of transit for troops as required. It is also true that at present there is a Russian standing army of 30,000 men guarding the railway to Port Arthur. Evidently the present situation has not been unforeseen or unprovided for, and its gravity is sufficiently proved by the respect which the Powers seem to be inclined to give it. Germany pursues a characteristic policy, so far as the "National Zeitung" can be said to reflect it, holding that Manchuria has always been regarded as a Russian sphere and that the Powers disagreeing with that view must settle the dispute among themselves. The attitude of the United States is somewhat different, though the American view of the situation seems clear enough. Washington holds that Russia is pledged to maintain the open door in Manchuria, and evidently doubts the good faith of Count Cassini's assurance that a special commercial treaty may be concluded with the United States after China has signed the proffered agreement. Then we find Great Britain joining with Japan in advising China to insist on the restoration of Manchuria, while the other Powers which during the war co-operated in China apparently hold aloof. The situation is full of ominous possibilities, though the reported modified attitude of Japan is a factor making for peace.

REFORM ORGANISATION.

In a letter which appears elsewhere Mr. Archibald Forsyth lays down the principle that reform organisation must be controlled outside of politics, and that Mr. Carruthers, for instance, must efface himself as leader of the Opposition until the people have called him to the front. On such showing the People's Reform League is to be the middle and both ends of any effort to destroy the present Government. The Liberal and Reform Association is to be practically ignored and politics are, like physic, to be thrown to the dogs. Now this is very well in theory; and as a matter of academic interest the fate of the politician as we know him may be discussed as a Roman audience discussed the fate of a stricken gladiator—with thumbs ruthlessly thrust down. It is perfectly true that the State is suffering to-day from too much politics. It is also true that the people have given the politician place and power by treating him as the keystone in the arch of progress, when the primary producer should be recognised as not only the keystone but as the main part of the arch into the bargain. Were we beginning a new existence as a State the blunders of the past might very well be discussed in the temper and from the point of view of Mr. Forsyth. But unfortunately the future, the present, and the past are inextricably bound together; and we must look to Parliament and to the general machinery of the Constitution to serve us in the difficulties in which we find ourselves. Mr. Forsyth's earnest desire, as it is the earnest desire of a majority of electors in New South Wales, is "to oust this reckless and extravagant Government and bring about a reform of their vicious and destructive measures." We may assume that he would effect this to-morrow if he could. If to-morrow be too soon, or next week, or next month, he would like Sir John See and his colleagues dismissed from office say in June—when Parliament meets. But that opens up the whole question of ability. The people to whom Mr. Forsyth looks cannot deal with the Government as the Czar or the Kaiser deals with a Chancellor who has made a mess of things. Until the time of election comes round again, failing a dissolution, the Government is in power and will certainly remain there. That is to say, the politician is on top by right of the popular vote, and he is quite justified in reminding the people that they have delegated authority to him for the time being. If Sir John See can command a majority during the coming session he will assuredly not appeal to his masters for leave to continue in power, and in many ways his position is precisely that in which Mr. Arthur Balfour finds himself in British politics at the present moment. The "Spectator," in a recent article on the subject, refers the unpopularity of the Government to the swing of the pendulum, and seems to minimise its failure to rise to a great occasion. Here the Government is hopelessly discredited by its folly, not by any mere desire for change. We may leave that point, however, and direct attention to the fact emphasised by our contemporary, that the Government is likely to keep going. The "Spectator," no doubt, insists that unpopularity may be dissipated by bold measures, and the question arises whether a Cabinet largely composed of old and tired politicians can possibly originate a masterful policy. Only Mr. Chamberlain seems capable of that, and he is not Premier. But our point is that the See Government is more discredited and unpopular than the Balfour Government appears to be, yet its prospects of continued life may be discussed from the same standpoint. It will probably live on through next session unless Mr. Carruthers is reinforced and strengthened, and unless politician meets politician. How then can we supply the necessary aid? Mr. Forsyth looks to the people. But the people are helpless unless the politician is allowed to take the lead. Mr. Carruthers, as leader of the Opposition, with a growing following, with public opinion solid and insistent behind him, with reformers of all colours giving him countenance, and with a definite economic programme in hand such as we published yesterday, will be irresistible. Mr. Forsyth must see this. We have as much regard for the energy, ability, and enthusiasm of the members of the People's Reform League as he has. We believe that if there were no politics and no Parliament it could do all that is necessary. But why dwell upon the absurd and impossible? We must work with the material before us; and the call is to every man, who is as keenly anxious as Mr. Forsyth to put a new Government into power and to straighten out the present financial tangle, to stand shoulder to shoulder with other reformers, and to use the politician for the salvation of the country. Mr. Carruthers may obtain much personal advantage, but why grudge him that if he does the work demanded of him? If he fails the people after all his promises, his fate will be worse than that of Ministers now in power, and we believe he is sufficiently alive to the possibilities.

TRADES UNIONS.

Dr. Cullen's searching criticism of Mr. Wise's position with respect to trades unions which appears in another column will be read with keen interest by many people in this State. Yesterday we published an interview with the State Attorney-General in which the decision in the Taff Vale case was discussed, and the opinion was expressed that a trades union and an industrial union were two very different legal entities. One was liable under the common law for any invasion of the liberty of the subject, while the other was not liable. The Arbitration Act in New South Wales, we are told, draws the distinction, protecting the latter and leaving the former open to attack by any aggrieved individual. Dr. Cullen very shrewdly notes that the difference is one of Tweedledum and Tweedledee. A trades union when it has complied with certain requirements becomes an industrial union, but it has really changed nothing but its name. Under a new name it may do all that was covered by the Taff Vale case and be free from prosecution, except such as the Arbitration Court may sanction; and the unfortunate non-unionist who may have suffered loss of everything through its tyranny will have no redress whatever, since the Arbitration Court cannot see him when he appears and has no legal cognisance that he is a man at all. To such a pass have we come under the interpretation of human rights by members of the present State Government.

No doubt Mr. Wise will be ready with his judgment in connection with recent developments under the New Zealand Act. The Auckland joiners have been trying conclusions with their employers over the main principle of new unionism that every man is of equal value, though the results of his work may prove the contrary. They have maintained that 1s 3d per hour is a fair rate of pay for men who are not worth more than 1s 1d, and the Court has been moved to judgment on the matter. Our New Zealand telegrams this morning show that the attempt to force the masters to pay the higher rate to all and sundry has failed. It may be remembered that the Court originally decided that 1s 3d per hour—the rate prevailing in the trade elsewhere in New Zealand—was to be the minimum rate, but that men not worth that could be employed at a lower rate, provided they obtained certificates from the Conciliation Board. The majority of employees were given the higher rate, but a minority were left out in the cold. As the latter would not get certificates they were numbered among the unemployed, and the Arbitration Court was invoked on their behalf, with the result that the masters have been acquitted of conspiracy and contempt. The original award stands, and it is held not to have been evaded. But it would now be interesting to hear Mr. Wise on the question. Trades unionists will, perhaps, be held by him to deserve all that they may get under such interpretations of the minimum wage doctrine, while industrial unionists will be considered to be in quite a different category. Yet it is a matter of individual efficiency, not of legal status. The man who can do a third more work than his fellow, and do it better, is surely entitled to a higher wage. Now unionism, however, says no. As organised in Australia and in Great Britain, labour claims the right of restricting output, of placing the best and the worst worker in any given trade on an equality, and generally of taking the law into its own hands, irrespective of the claims of justice and common sense. It does in one way what Mr. Wise does in another. It declares that a trade unionist by virtue of the name is a skilled workman, whatever his employer may believe to the contrary. Mr. Wise insists that when a trades union becomes an industrial union by a stroke of the pen, it can do no wrong, except such as the Arbitration Court, which does not deal with the vast body of labour outside, may see. We admit that so far as the Taff Vale case is concerned there may still be room for a settlement of the law. Mr. Haldane, in a recent article in the "Contemporary Review" dealing with the question, urges that there is room for the appointment of a commission to thresh out the debatable points. But the main issue remains, as Dr. Cullen explains in his letter. Is a trade union to be lifted above the level of ordinary British justice?

Items in To-day's Issue.—On page four of this issue will be found several interesting items of mail news, as well as a letter by Mr. Archibald Forsyth on the reform movement. In the column headed "On the Land" will be found interesting calculations as to the area of land capable of irrigation by the quantity of water allotted by the Premiers' Conference to the State of New South Wales, as well as comments on the prospects of the wheat crop owing to change of weather. On other pages will be found articles of interest, including one dealing with the present state of things in Manchuria.

Prorogation of Parliament.—It was announced in Saturday's issue of the "Herald" that Parliament had been further prorogued to May 26. Though no official utterance has been given on the matter, it is believed that Parliament will be called together either during the last week in May or the first week in June.

Railway Returns.—The revenue returns of the Railway and Tramway Departments for the quarter ended March 31, 1903, were issued yesterday. They show that the gross railway earnings are £117,539 less than those for the corresponding period of last year. In the case of the tramways, the earnings show an increase of £26,912, but at the same time the expenditure has also increased £25,315. The total number of passengers carried on the tramways for the quarter was 6,518,292 more than during the corresponding period of last year. Whilst there has been an increase of 46,915 tons in the amount of general merchandise carried on the railways, there is a decrease of £98,999 in the revenue receipts therefrom. It is pointed out by the Railway Commissioners that the increased percentage of expenditure in working the railways is due to special concessions made in the carriage of starving stock and on fodder for starving stock, the extension of the eight-hour system to the running staff, and to an increase in the tonnage of goods, minerals, and live stock.

Broken Hill Tramways.—For some time past the work of extending the steam tramways which traverse the main street of Broken Hill has been in progress. Mr. Williams, M.L.A., yesterday waited upon Mr. Hugh M'Lachlan, Secretary to the Railway Commissioners, in the absence of the Commissioners in the country, and asked when it was likely the extension would be ready to be opened. Mr. M'Lachlan stated that the work had been advanced to such a stage that the additional length of line would be opened next week. It is understood that the present length carries on an average about 22,000 passengers each week. On Easter Monday 10,000 passengers were accommodated, hence the tramways are evidently regarded as a great boon by the residents.

The Southern Collieries Difficulty.—Yesterday the question of the hewing rate to be paid to the members of the Southern Collieries Employees' Association was again brought before the Arbitration Court, when a mutual arrangement suggested by the President was arrived at as the basis of an order. This included the retention of the existing hewing rate until the end of the year, and an inquiry at the beginning of next year into the selling price of coal for the previous six months. The award is also to be extended for 12 months beyond the date originally fixed. Mr. Justice Cohen warmly congratulated both sides on the settlement arrived at, and expressed a hope that it would lead to permanent harmony among mine-owners and employees in the southern district.

The English Mails.—The mails by the R.M.S. Oriental, bearing the date of London, March 27, will reach Sydney in time for delivery to-morrow. The mails which left Sydney by the R.M.S. Australia on March 24 arrived in London on Saturday last, one day in advance of schedule date.

The Canadian Mail Service.—The R.M.S. Moana, of the Canadian-Australian line, arrived at 1 p.m. yesterday, 24 hours in advance of schedule date. She was a day late in leaving Canada, and the passage from Vancouver to Australia has therefore been accomplished in two days less than her advertised time. The voyage from Vancouver to Brisbane occupied a little over 20 days, and when the time spent at Victoria, Honolulu, and Fiji is deducted it will be seen that the Moana has made one of the fastest passages ever made across the Pacific.

The Steamer Tyrian.—The fruit cargo of the steamer Tyrian was yesterday discharged into lighters, which were then towed out to sea, and the fruit thrown overboard. The vessel has been thoroughly fumigated and cleansed, so that everything was in the best of order when the passengers who had booked passages by her for Melbourne went aboard during the morning. The Tyrian left later in the day for Hobson's Bay.

The Sailing of the John Williams.—The London Missionary Society's steam yacht John Williams will be despatched from Parbury's Wharf, Dawes Point, at 11 o'clock this morning for one of her periodical trips among the islands of the South Seas. The cruise will embrace visits to Niue, Samoa, the Cook Islands, and the Tokelau, Ellice, and Gilbert Groups, and will cover a period of about four months. The Rev. Dr. Davies, formerly of Samoa, but more recently of South India, will proceed by the vessel to Niue, where he will relieve the Rev. F. E. Lawes during his furlough in England. The John Williams will also convey several native teachers who have been engaged in mission work along the coast of New Guinea to their island homes on furlough. The teachers are accompanied by their wives and families, numbering 37 all told. Miss Jones will also travel by the vessel to Aitutaki, in the Cook Islands, to join her father, the Rev. John Jones. The usual Divine service will be held on board the John Williams shortly before sailing.

A Curious Fish.—Yesterday the Amateur Fishermen's Association received from Mr E. T. Blaxland, of Grafton, a rare fish called the blind sea eel. The specimen was submitted to Mr. Etheridge (curator) and Mr. E. R. Waite (ichthyologist) of the Australian Museum, and declared to be the Goboides purpurescens. The eel has no eyes, and the gills are apparently closed. The lower jaw protrudes, and both jaws are supplied with fine sharp teeth. The length is 5¾in., and the colour when alive was a dark brown with shades of green. The underpart was mottled. There is a continuous dorsal fin along the back. The fish was found under the sand on the shore near Grafton, to which place the salt water has extended for a long time. Only one specimen of this curious fish has hitherto been recorded here. At the request of the Museum authorities the association has decided to present the specimen to them.

Stamp Duty.—The amount collected during the week ended on Saturday last on probate of wills and the issue of letters of administration was £2579 8s.

A Criminal's Career.—Yesterday at the Darlinghurst Quarter Sessions a grey-headed man pleaded guilty to a charge of stealing in a dwelling. Judge Backhouse was informed in answer to his inquiry as to whether anything was known about the prisoner that the man had commenced his criminal career in the State in 1874, when he was sent to gaol for three years for forgery and uttering. In 1877 he was convicted of forging bank notes and bank plates and of stealing, and was sentenced to three years' imprisonment with hard labour. His criminal career was resumed in 1887, when for more forgeries of bank notes, and being found in possession of bank plates, he was given 14 years' penal servitude. He regained is freedom in 1894, and for forgery and uttering received a sentence of two years. In 1896, for stealing in a dwelling, a sentence of five years' penal servitude was imposed. The prisoner pleaded hard in broken accents for leniency, saying that his career had been against him. He had made a great effort, he said, after his last release to obtain honest employment, but every time he thought he had got his head above water his career submerged him. His Honor said that if it could be shown that the man had made the honest effort he claimed to have made he would not take his record into consideration, as he recognised how extremely hard it was for a prisoner to get confidence restored in him.

Mr. Bruce Smith has accepted an invitation from the members of the Women's Electoral League of Burwood to address a public meeting in the Federal Hall, Burwood-road. The subject of the address will be "The Political Responsibility of Women."

Alderman J. D. Fitzgerald will deliver a lecture on "Importance of Local Government" before members of the Women's Liberal League at 8.30 to-night at St. Matthias' Hall, Paddington.

The annual ball of the Fresh Air League will be held in the Sydney Town Hall on May 19. Among those whom it is expected will be present are his Excellency the Governor-General and Lady Tennyson, Sir Harry and Lady Rawson, and Admiral and Mrs. Fanshawe.

The last excursion of the season to Farkesvale (George's River) will be made to-morrow, Wednesday. The train will leave Sydney at 2.10 p.m., calling at all stations.

There is now on view at Messrs. Lawson, Caro, and Co.'s Pitt-street salerooms an interesting collection of the oil paintings of Baron Paszthory. This collection, which will well repay inspection by those interested in the art and by intending purchasers, will be sold by auction at the rooms to-morrow afternoon.

A much appreciated entertainment was given on Saturday evening at the Seamen's Institute by the stewards of the steamer Australasian. The programme was varied, and included songs and recitations. The feature of the evening however was the production of a couple of farcical sketches, one "Leave it to Me," and the other "Irish Justice."

Between Sunday and yesterday morning the premises of Mr. Alfred Ford were broken into. A safe weighing several hundredweight was cut open and about 10s worth of stamps was stolen.

The report of the Sydney Hospital for the week ended the 25th instant is as follows:—Admitted, 84; discharged, 63; died, 5; remaining, 310; outpatients treated, but not admitted, 1258; new casualty cases treated, but not admitted, 184; number of typhoid cases in hospital, 3.

DAMAGE BY STORM AT COOTAMUNDRA.

ACTION BY THE GOVERNMENT.

The following telegrams explain the action taken by the Government towards repairing damage and relieving distress caused by the recent storm at Cootamundra:—

From the Under-Secretary for Public Works to the Government Architect (Mr. W. L. Vernon), Wagga Wagga:

"Premier wishes you let me have report by morrow morning as to what damage done at Cootamundra by storm, with estimated cost of righting matters outside £85 for public buildings telegraphed this morning.

(Signed) "J. DAVIS."

From the Under Secretary for Public Works to the road superintendent, Cootamundra:

"Am instructed by Premier to ask you confer with architect's officer and send joint report to me to-night re damage and effects of storm, with estimated cost of repairs outside Government buildings, also if there are any cases of distress requiring immediate relief.

(Signed) "J. DAVIS."

THE COMMONWEALTH.

CRITICISM OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL.

REMARKS BY SIR EDMUND BARTON.

The criticism of the Privy Council by Sir Robert Stout as reported in a New Zealand telegram published in yesterday's "Herald" excited some interest among those concerned in federal politics. Only one Federal Minister (Sir Edmund Barton) was in town. His remarks, which were guarded in character, are given below. About half a dozen members of the Federal Parliament looked in at the Commonwealth offices during yesterday, and most of them accepted Sir Robert Stout's remarks as additional argument in favour of the early establishment of the Federal High Court. It was stated that grave faults had been found with the Privy Council's decision from time to time by Judges and members of the bar. The late Sir William Windeyer on one occasion spoke very strongly on the subject, and there is on record a caustic speech by a member of the House of Commons which at the time of the deliverance caused no little sensation.

"I trace in the remarks of the Judges," said Sir Edmund Barton, in allusion to our New Zealand message, "a curious similarity to the criticism often passed here in legal circles. In 1901 Mr. Justice Hodges (of Victoria) was appointed the representative of the Commonwealth at a conference called by the Colonial Office for the purpose of considering the question of creating a court of final appeal for the whole Empire. At the present moment the House of Lords is not a court of appeal for cases arising in the colonies; nor is the Privy Council a court of appeal, generally speaking, for cases arising within the United Kingdom. Of course, the Privy Council is technically not a court of appeal. It is a board, constituted of Privy Councillors, whose conclusions or opinions take the form of advice to the Crown, and not of judgments in the ordinary sense of the term. Hence the difficulty that seems to be felt in many legal minds in regard to fusing the House of Lords and the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council or of adopting the model of either of them for a final court of appeal. The matter was much discussed at the conference of 1901, and the debates are of the deepest interest. Mr. Justice Hodges made a report to me, which shows that he had striven hard to persuade the representatives of other parts of the Empire to express a preference for the constitution of a new court. The Lord Chancellor of England, however, seems to have been strongly opposed to any change, and as the delegates from the self-governing colonies did not in the main support Mr. Justice Hodges the matter remains as it was. I might mention that New Zealand was represented at that conference by Sir John Prendergast."

PUBLIC SERVICE EXAMINATION.

The papers of all the candidates who presented themselves at the recent Federal Public Service examinations have now been received by the Commissioner. Mr. M'Lachlan has forwarded them to the board of examiners. He expects the results for the clerical division will be available by the middle of next month.

RESIGNATIONS OF VOLUNTEER OFFICERS.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

From nearly every State there comes news that the volunteer officers are resigning for various reasons. Sir John Forrest was asked to-day whether he would not in view of this state of affairs inquire into the matter. He replied: "I have not heard anything officially about these matters. I see statements in the press, that is all. If officers are dissatisfied with the treatment they are receiving, and they have any grievance they can appeal to the State Commandant or from him to the General Officer Commanding or from that officer to me, if they are still displeased. So far not a single complaint has been addressed to me personally."

SIR JOHN FORREST.

Sir John Forrest leaves Melbourne for Sydney tomorrow afternoon. Starting from that city he will visit Bombala, Orange, and Tumut, three of the proposed capital sites, and will return to Melbourne next week.

TRANS-AUSTRALIAN RAILWAY.

The Secretary for Home Affairs was informed today that the State railway engineers had completed their inspection of the country to be traversed by the proposed trans-Australian railway near Eucla (Western Australia), and that they are now en route to Albany.

MR. KINGSTON'S TOUR.

BRISBANE, Monday.

Mr. Kingston arrived at Mackay on Friday and had a formal welcome at the Town Hall on Saturday. There was a good and representative attendance, but neither of the State members for Mackay was present. The address from the Chamber of Commerce stated that the policy initiated by the Federal Government to secure the growth and harvesting of cane by white labour was receiving every encouragement from the farmers and land-owners in the Mackay district. Though there were reported to be very large numbers of unemployed whites during the last crushing season, and many farmers were willing to pay the whole of the rebate to the canecutters, the amount of labour was not more than would meet the demand. Such being the case with a light crop here and practically no cane further south it naturally caused great anxiety.

The Pioneer River Farmers' Association also presented an address of welcome. It stated that the removal of the class of labour they were dependent upon cast on the Federal Government the obligation to consider the question of replacing that labour from other sources. To that end the propriety of introducing farm labourers from Europe was suggested. The hope was expressed that Mr. Kingston's future treatment of the sugar industry in tropical Queensland would be characterised by the same determined justice and discrimination as in the administration of the Customs. It was trusted that Mr. Kingston would always advocate the continuance of the sugar bonus.

Other addresses were presented, and the Mayor proposed the health of Mr. Kingston, who, in responding, said he was delighted to hear in connection with the sugar question that every encouragement was being afforded by the farmers and millowners for a fair trial and the substitution of white labour for black. The aim of the Federal Government would continue to be a white Australia. He said that with a full knowledge of the circumstances touching upon the labour question. There had been no complaint of shortage, and he believed that if white labour was encouraged it would gravitate to that district. The rebate earned in Mackay last year approximated £13,500.

Mr. E. M. Long, chairman of the Queensland Sugar-growers and Manufacturers' Union, presented to Mr. Kingston a memorial.

Mr. Kingston, in reply, said he could not hold out any hope of an alteration of the tariff.

The Minister had an excellent reception at a public meeting at the Britannia Hotel in the evening. He left for Rockhampton yesterday morning.

ADDRESS BY SIR WILLIAM LYNE.

JUNEE, Monday.

Sir W. J. Lyne, accompanied by Messrs. J. F. Barnes, M.L.A., and J. T. Stratton, of Cootamundra, visited Illabo this morning and were entertained at luncheon. Sir William Lyne addressed about 60 of his constituents. He gave the electors a brief resume of the progress of Federation since the first Convention Bill. The first session of the Federal Parliament, he said, had passed 25 very important measures. He commended the tariff, and asked that it should be given a trial. During the past five months £1,489,000 had been spent in Sydney in factories and the extension of factories. The bonus on white-grown sugar was solving the kanaka trouble. The planters were now anxious to get rid of the alien. Regarding the removal of fodder duties he contended that this would have been of small benefit compared with the thousands of pounds the State had lost in the carriage of fodder at 1s 10d per ton. He defended the action of Sir Edmund Barton with regard to the six hatters, as the bill dealing with the restriction of immigration was made to prevent strikes. He firmly believed that the site for the federal capital would be settled before the end of the present Parliament.

Mr. Barnes also addressed the electors, and spoke on local matters.

The Ministerial party left by road for Bethungra about 3.30 p.m., where an address will be delivered this afternoon. From there the party journey by train to Cootamundra, where Sir William is due to speak to-night.

The anniversary of the Woollahra Baptist Sunday School was celebrated at the Church on Sunday. Special services were held. The Rev. J. Barker preached in the morning to a good congregation. In the afternoon the address was given by Mrs. William White, and the pastor (Rev. C. J. W. Moon) occupied the pulpit in the evening. Special selections from "Heart and Voice" were rendered by the choir and scholars at each service. Mr. W. C. Fox acted as conductor. Miss Phillips presided at the organ.

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Tennyson visited the Hawkesbury River yesterday. The party went by train, and the Governor-General returned by sea.

Sir Edmund Barton has arranged to address a public meeting in the Town Hall on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rubie have been entertained at Garra prior to their departure for Western Australia.

Mrs. Ellen Bowe Monks, a resident of the Wagga district for the past 40 years, died on Sunday morning.

Captain Olivey, one of the British officers killed in Somaliland, was a brother of Dr. W. J. Olivey, of Nowra.

At Melbourne yesterday Mr. R. F. Bise, late secretary of the Irish National Foresters, Carlton, was presented with a diamond ring by members of the society on his departure for Queensland.

Mr. E. A. L. Sharpe, P.M., late of Forbes, yesterday took up duty as a police magistrate in the Maitland district, in succession to Mr. G. F. Scott, who has been promoted to the stipendiary bench at Newcastle.

Mr. Ridley, P.M., appointed to Walgett vice Mr. Jamieson transferred to Bingara, was on Monday welcomed on behalf of the magistracy, the legal profession, and police.

Mr. W. W. Clarke, of Marrickville, who has made a 12 months' tour round the world for business purposes, returned to Sydney yesterday by the R.M.S. Moana. During his absence he visited Canada as well as the old country, and speaks very highly of the manner in which he was treated there.

Captain Bernhardt Jensen, who commanded the exploring vessel Southern Cross during her Antarctic expedition, has purchased the steamer Windward at Halifax for whaling purposes. He will voyage to the Okhotsk Sea, then to Kerguelen Island, in search of sea elephants, purposing if luck attends him to discharge at Melbourne.

Mrs. Mary Ann Gale, 69, died on Sunday at her residence, Cottesloe, Western Australia. Deceased was the second daughter of the late Captain D. Scott, who was harbourmaster at Fremantle in its early days. In 1852 she married Mr. W. Gale, who was collector of customs at the port. Deceased leaves four sons.

The Right Rev. Monsignor Rigney, of Prospect, is seriously ill. On Sunday, at the Roman Catholic church, special prayers were offered for his recovery. The aged prelate is now in his 90th year. Dr. Waugh, of Parramatta, is in daily attendance. Yesterday afternoon Monsignor Rigney was reported to have somewhat improved in his condition.

An old Hobart whaling captain, Mr. George Lucas, has died, aged 75. He was a brother of Captain Edward Lucas, who was the skipper of the steamer Southern Cross, of the old Tasmanian Steam Navigation Company's service. The deceased commanded the Pryde and the Isle of France, old Hobart whalers.

A cablegram received in Adelaide states that a public meeting was called and decided to raise by subscription an amount for the erection of a statue as a lasting monument to the late Sir Thomas Elder, who was known throughout the Commonwealth for munificence and benevolence. The sum of £1500 was collected and a commission was placed in the hands of the great sculptor, Drury, who has completed a lifelike representation of the deceased knight. The statue will be erected on a pedestal in front of the Elder Conservatorium of Music at Adelaide.

Our Melbourne correspondent wires that Messrs. Ostermeyer, Dewez, and Van Rompaley, agents for the Norddeutscher Lloyd Shipping Company, Bremen, are in receipt of cable advices that their former partner and the founder of the firm, Mr. Gustav Ostermeyer, died at Bremen on Saturday last. Mr. Ostermeyer, who left Melbourne about four years ago, and since then has been residing in Germany, was well known in shipping and commercial circles.

A pleasant gathering took place at the Deanery, St. Andrew's Cathedral, last night, when about 20 members of the Cathedral Choir assembled to mark their esteem for Mr. A. J. Searl, who has for the past 18 years occupied the position of principal tenor soloist, and who recently retired from the permanent staff of the choir. The chair was occupied by the Rev. P. J. Simpson (Precentor), who in the course of a characteristic speech bore testimony to the faithful and loyal service rendered by the guest of the evening in the musical services of the Cathedral. Mr. Simpson, on behalf of the choir, presented Mr. Searl with an address and a handsome diamond ring as a memento of the occasion. The recipient's health was enthusiastically honoured, and Mr. Searl replied in a neat speech. Several other toasts were proposed, including that of the health of the Precentor, and the evening passed pleasantly in musical contributions by various members of the choir. Among those present were Archdeacon Gunther, V.G., and Mr. Joseph Massey (Cathedral organist).

The friends of Mr. Hamilton Maynard, of Queen-street, Woollahra, the organist and choirmaster at St. Mary's, Waverley, will be pleased to learn that at the last meeting of the council of the Guild of Church Musicians, London, he was elected a fellow of that body, of which the Archbishop of Canterbury is the patron, and the Very Rev. Dr. Pigou, Dean of Bristol, the president. Mr. Maynard received his early musical training under the late Rev. Thomas Helmore, Priest-in-ordinary to her late Majesty and choirmaster and precentor of the Chapel Royal, St. James', London. He subsequently pursued his musical studies in France, and after matriculating in arts came to Australia in 1882. For more than three years he was organist and choirmaster at St. David's Cathedral, Hobart, and also acted as conductor of the Hobart Orchestral Union and examiner in music for the Tasmanian Department of Education. At present the Guild of Church Musicians is represented in the Commonwealth by not more than eight fellows, among whom may be mentioned the Rev. J. Auchenleck Ross, of Sydney, Dr. Summers (Mus. Doc., Canterbury), and the Rev. Dr. Torrance (Mus. Doc., Dublin), of Melbourne.

QUEENSLAND.

ASSOCIATION FOR PREVENTION OF CONSUMPTION.

BRISBANE, Monday.

At the annual meeting of the association for the prevention of consumption held to-day, Mr. Foxton (Home Secretary), referring to the high death rate amongst the blacks on the pearl-shelling and beche de mer boats of the north, said he was taking steps towards combating the evil by making better provision for the recruiting of aboriginals. His Excellency Sir Herbert Chermside, who also spoke, suggested to those prejudiced against the idea of tuberculosis patients being in a separate hospital owing to the irksomeness of the treatment necessary the consideration that a citizen of any civilised nation should look upon the notification of any infectious disease as a moral obligation of his civic responsibilities, and should give his individual help even at personal sacrifice of comfort towards establishing a healthy community and aiding to realise national hygienic ideals.

RATE OF INTEREST.

At a meeting of the representative banks carrying on business in Queensland, with the exception of the Queensland National Bank, it was decided that the time was not opportune to advance the rates of interest either on fixed deposit or on overdraft.

DEATH OF MISS STRETCH.

Miss Stretch, of Maldon College, a sister of Bishop Stretch, died of typhoid this morning at Toowoomba.

TO-DAY.

Illawarra S. N. Company: Half-yearly Meeting, Royal Exchange, Bridge-street, 11.30 a.m.
W.C.T.U.: Meeting, Town Hall, Petersham, 8 p.m.
Child Study Association: Meeting, School of Arts, 8 p.m.
Shop Assistants' Union: Meeting, Queen's Hall, 8 p.m.
Rosebery Park Races: First Event, 2.20 p.m.
Australian Natives' Association: Address by Senator R. E. O'Connor, Redfern Town Hall, 8 p.m.
St. Stephen's Church, Phillip-street: Lecture by Rev. A. S. C. James, 7.45 p.m.
Lecture by Rev. Canon Mervyn Archdall, M.A., Y.M.C.A. Hall, 8 p.m.
Women's Liberal League: Meeting, St. Matthias' Hall, Paddington, 7.45 p.m.
Women's Electoral League: Address by Mr. Bruce Smith, Federal Hall, Burwood, 8 p.m.
Gas Cooking Demonstration: Queen's Hall, 2.30 p.m.
Sydney College of Music: Distribution of Certificates and Medals, Town Hall, 7.45 p.m.
Herr Raimund Pechotsch's Concert: Centenary Hall, 8 p.m.
Fitzgerald Brothers' Circus: Belmore Park, 8 p.m.
Cyclorama: "Battle of Gettysburg," Illusions and Cinematograph, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: New Vaudeville Company, 8 p.m.
Palace Theatre: "Are You a Mason?" 8 p.m.
Theatre Royal: "Dick Whittington," 7.45 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "Charley's Aunt," 8 p.m.
Lyceum Theatre: "A Woman of Pleasure," 7.50 p.m.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

KING EDWARD.

LONDON, April 26.

King Edward had luncheon yesterday on board the Queen of Portugal's yacht. His Majesty attended a State performance at the Opera House, Naples, in the evening.

CHINA.

THE TIENTSIN SIDING DISPUTE.

LONDON, April 27.

M. Detring, to whom was referred the dispute between Great Britain and Russia respecting the Tientsin siding, has given his award. He upholds the former's claims, but admits that the Russian contention was well-founded.

In March, 1901, Mr. C. W. Kinder, the English engineer, who built the Peking-Shanhaikwan railway, was constructing a siding at Tientsin when the Russians took possession of the ground, alleging that it was part of a concession granted to them some months previously, and that the concession overrode Mr. Kinder's proprietary rights. The Russian troops eventually withdrew, and the matter was referred to arbitration.

SOUTH AFRICA.

BOER PRISONERS.

LONDON, April 26.

Nineteen Boer prisoners have sailed from Colombo in the Batavia. Twelve others who still refuse to take the oath of allegiance are still kept at the Diyallawa camp.

TRANSIT DUTIES ABOLISHED.

LONDON, April 26.

Natal has abolished the transit duties on goods for the Transvaal, and the products of Natal are now admitted free to the Transvaal.

RUSSIA.

MURDER OF JEWS.

LONDON, April 26.

A mob at Kishineff, Southern Russia, wrecked the Jewish houses, sacked their stores and shops, and shot and beat to death those who resisted. Thousands of Jews in the district are homeless.

THE BALKANS.

THESSALIANS HELP THE TURKS.

LONDON, April 26.

Two Thessalian bands have crossed the border to assist the Turks against the Bulgarians.

RAIDS IN SERVIA.

LONDON, April 26.

Albanians have committed numerous raids in Servian territory.

THE MEMORIAL COMMUNION ABANDONED.

LONDON, April 27.

The Army Guild of the Holy Standard has abandoned its intention to hold a communion service at St. Paul's Cathedral in commemoration of the soldiers who fell in the Boer war.

Many aristocratic ladies, including the president and vice-presidents of the Ladies' League for the Defence and Promotion of the Reformed Faith of the Church of England, strongly protested against the proposal of the Army Guild to hold the memorial communion. The ladies declared that the communion was an attempt to introduce into the cathedral a requiem mass for the dead after an absence of 350 years. The Chief Chaplain of the Forces (Bishop Taylor Smith) resigned from the membership of the guild and refused to sanction the service. The Archdeacon of London (Ven. W. M. Sinclair) was strongly opposed to the service, which he said was obviously largely Roman Catholic.

MR. W. K. VANDERBILT.

LONDON, April 26.

Mr. William Kissam Vanderbilt, millionaire, of New York, quietly married Mrs. Rutherford at London, in the presence of six persons. The Duke and Duchess of Marlborough were present.

This is the second marriage of Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt, who was born in 1849. Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt was married to the Duke of Marlborough in 1895.

CANADA AND GERMANY.

THE TARIFF WAR.

LONDON, April 27.

Several Berlin newspapers state that the Federal Council has decided to impose a surtax on the chief Canadian exports equivalent to the surtax imposed by Canada upon German goods, the hope being that this course will deter other colonies from following the example of the Dominion.

THE DOMINGO REVOLUTION.

LONDON, April 27.

Senor Vasquez, Vice-President of the Republic of Santo Domingo, who has been besieging the capital, has been badly defeated. He has raised the siege and fled to Cuba. The rebels have formed a Government.

SILVER.

LONDON, April 27.

The price of bar silver to-day is 2s 0 13-16d per ounce standard.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, April 26.

A picture by Mr. M. J. Dawson, of Sydney, has been accepted by the Royal Academy.

Ethergrams are being successfully sent to and from moving trains in Germany.

The directors of the North Lyell Mining Company, having proposed to materially alter the amalgamation scheme, provisionally approved in Tasmania, the Mount Lyell directors have declared that the negotiations are ended, but hopes are still entertained that a satisfactory settlement is possible.

April 27.

Reuter's Agency reports that Mr. Councilman, Professor of Pathological Anatomy at Harvard University, has discovered the germ of small-pox.

Moors have fired a dozen shots at the French post at Duveyrier on the Algerian frontier, killing one soldier.

The residents of Blantyre (British South Africa) have formed a petition for presentation to the Government to prohibit the recruiting of natives in the protectorate to supply the Transvaal with labour.

Count Turin has laid the foundation-stone for a new Campanile at Venice. The old Campanile recently collapsed owing to the foundation being defective.

The name of Dawson is not generally known amongst Sydney artists, but there is an architect, at one time resident here, who has secured a good position in London, and the cable message may refer to architectural drawings by him.

SOMALILAND.

THE BRITISH DISASTER.

BRAVERY OF THE DERVISHES.

LONDON, April 27.

The survivors of Lieutenant-Colonel Plunkett's force, which met with heavy loss near Gumburru, report that the Dervishes displayed unsurpassed fanatical bravery. Heaps of dead were piled in front of the maxims.

At least 2000 of the enemy were killed. The disinclination of the enemy to interfere with the force which subsequently extricated Lieutenant-Colonel Cobbe (who reported that he was unable to retire without assistance) shows that the Dervishes suffered terrible losses.

All the surviving Yaos were wounded except five. Many complaints are made that the service bullet was insufficient to stop the fanatical rush.

SEVERE FIGHTING.

A COLUMN HARD-PRESSED.

LONDON, April 27.

Lieutenant-Colonel Gough's column on April 21 killed 18 of the enemy in an engagement at Danop.

On the 23rd the column, with 10 officers and 181 of a camel corps of the Somali Mounted Infantry, marched in the direction of Dartoleh, where prisoners had reported that the Mullah was located.

Whils hampered in the thick bush and the long grasses 300 riflemen and 500 spearmen made determined attempts to break through Colonel Gough's square, charging within 20 yards of the lines, but recoiling before the Maxim fire and the repeated bayonet charges.

After four hours' fighting, his ammunition becoming scarce, Colonel Gough commenced to slowly retire, carrying the dead and wounded, and sending to Danop for reinforcements and ammunition.

There was constant fighting until 6 o'clock in the evening, when reinforcements arrived and Danop was regained.

Captain Godfrey (of the Indian Contingent) and Captain Bruce (of the Artillery) were killed, four other officers were wounded, 13 men were killed, and 28 wounded.

The enemy lost 150.

Great heroism was displayed in rescuing Captain Bruce from capture. All the force displayed the greatest gallantry. Colonel Gough is retiring to Bohotle.

REINFORCEMENTS.

WARSHIPS IN READINESS.

LONDON, April 26.

Two hundred of the Kaffrarian Rifles with two Maxims are offering for service in Somaliland.

Opinion in the Simla Hill States, India, favours the despatch of further detachments of Indian troops.

The British warships at Aden have been ordered to hold Maxim parties in readiness to land a brigade at Berbera for service in Somaliland.

THE MULLAH'S AMBITION.

LONDON, April 27.

The Mullah has offered a reward of 1000 camels for the capture of Brigadier-General Manning.

THE AMERICA CUP.

GOOD TRIAL OF THE DEFENDER.

LONDON, April 27.

The first trial of the Reliance, the defender of the America Cup, was eminently satisfactory.

STATE GOVERNOR ON TOUR.

WELCOME AT DUBBO.

DUBBO, Monday.

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Harry Rawson, accompanied by Lady Rawson, Miss Rawson, Major Holman, and the Hon. F. B. Suttor, M.L.C., paid an official visit to Dubbo this morning, arriving at 9.45, their train being delayed two hours at his Excellency's request. The weather was not very favourable, being cloudy and somewhat chilly. The vice-regal party were met at the station by the Mayor (Alderman J. A. Ryan) and the council clerk (Mr. S. W. Heaydon), Messrs. H. Willis, M.P., S. Phillips, M.L.A., Alderman Hoare, Messrs. G. H. Taylor, Frank Mack, and T. C. K. M'Keil, P.M. The Mayor welcomed the visitors, and introduced the other representatives of the town, but the reception was of an informal character generally. At the conclusion cheers were given for the King and the Governor. His Excellency, escorted by a posse of the local mounted police, drove to the court-house, the local volunteers forming a guard of honour from the railway gates to the steps of the building. The Dubbo orchestra played the "National Anthem" as the visitors entered the building. Addresses from the municipal council, the railway and progress associations, and the magistrates were read. To each his Excellency replied, expressing thanks for their cordial reception and the warm welcome given him. He was driven to The Pines, the residence of Mr. G. H. Taylor, and entertained by that gentleman. Later he visited the public and convent schools, and at his request the children were granted a holiday. At 1 o'clock the visitors were entertained at luncheon by the Mayor at the Royal Hotel, and were afterwards driven to the hospital. Thence they were taken to the racecourse, where a polo match was played between Narramine and Dubbo, the former winning after a good contest by 4 goals to 3. The party were entertained at afternoon tea by Miss Mack. The visitors were then driven back to Dubbo and taken over the Mechanics' Institute. The party left at 7.39 this evening, a large number of people assembling at the station to see them off.

THE COLLIERIES TROUBLE.

MINERS SENT FROM BENDIGO.

A HOSTILE DEMONSTRATION.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The action of the directors of the Outtrim-Howitt and Jumbunna collieries in seeking to have work resumed at their mines on a basis of a fixed wage of 9s per day is regarded by the general body of trades unionists as a direct attack upon union principles. There was a good response among the unemployed miners of Bendigo to a call for day labour at the colliery, and at 8 o'clock this morning a special train left Bendigo with 54 miners engaged to work in the Jumbunna Colliery. There was a hostile demonstration as the train left the station, and this was repeated at the metropolitan stopping places as the train passed through Melbourne, despite the efforts made by the Railway Department to prevent interference. The first stopping place was at Jolimont Siding. The gates leading into the siding were locked, but a small party of unionists, headed by Dr. Maloney, M.L.A., and R. H. Solly, president of the Trades Hall Council, scaled the fence, and did their best to persuade the men to leave the train. Mr. William Pratt, manager of the Jumbunna Mine, urged the miners to take no notice of what was said to them. One of the miners expressed himself ready to leave the train, but before he could do so the train moved ahead. There was a second stoppage at Richmond, where a party of 17 miners joined the train. The police were on duty to prevent unauthorised persons obtaining access to the platform where the train pulled up, and in this way the miners were guarded from the persuasive eloquence of several unionist representatives who desired to talk to them. There was a gathering at Outtrim railway station to witness the arrival of the miners, and feeling ran high. When the train drew up to the station it was seen that no passengers were aboard, the miners having been detrained at Jumbunna Colliery siding.

The Outtrim unionists held a meeting this afternoon to discuss the situation. It was decided that the best course would be to remain quiet and await developments.

THE PLAGUE.

PERTH, Monday.

It has been decided that the two sailors suffering from plague on the barque Lingard at Bunbury shall be treated on board ship, the accommodation at the smallpox hospital, where it was originally intended to place them, not being suitable. A nurse has been sent to the ship. One patient is nearly convalescent, but the other is in a rather serious condition.

MANCHURIA.

RESTORATION ADVISED.

COMMERCIAL EXPLOITATION.

LONDON, April 26.

Great Britain and Japan have advised Prince Ching to insist upon the restoration of Manchuria and not to agree to Russia's demands.

The United States is acting alone.

If Manchuria is lost to China an attempt will be made to procure a binding promise that the Powers shall not be deprived of the right to exploit the country commercially.

CHINA REJECTS THE DEMANDS.

LONDON, April 27.

Chinese declare that Prince Ching returned the Russian demands immediately, refusing to consider them.

Although the Japanese newspapers unanimously call upon the Powers to show a firm front it is not believed that Japan's resistance will go to the length of war.

RUSSIAN OVERTURES TO AMERICA.

LONDON, April 27.

Count Cassini, the Russian Ambassador at Washington, has informed Mr. John Hay, United States Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, that although Russia is unable to agree to the establishment of free ports at Mukden and Takushan, being included in the American-Chinese treaty, yet she is prepared to conclude a special commercial treaty with the United States after China has accepted the demands made by Russia as the price of her evacuation of Manchuria.

Mr. Hay replied that the policy of the open door must be observed, and that America was unable to see how that would be possible if the Russian demands were granted.

THE OCCUPATION AND THE EVACUATION.

RUSSIAN PROMISES.

According to the Manchurian Convention signed at Peking on April 8 of last year, the evacuation of Manchuria must be finally effected by the Russians before October 8 of this year. All through the piece the statement that Russia desired to annex all or part of Manchuria was vigorously denied by Russian statesmen and diplomats. Thus the Marquis of Salisbury in a long despatch to Sir C. Scott details the assurances given on this subject to the Foreign Office by the Russian charge d'affaires. Russia had, according to this official, been forced to occupy Newchwang, or Niuchwang, and to send troops into Manchuria. "These temporary measures," he went on to say, "had been solely dictated by the absolute necessity of repelling the aggression of the Chinese rebels, and not with interested motives, which are absolutely foreign to the policy of the Imperial Government. Directly the pacification of Manchuria was attained and the necessary measures had been taken to ensure the security of the railroad, Russia would not fail to withdraw her troops from Chinese territory, provided that such action did not meet with obstacles caused by the proceedings of other Powers." That was in August, 1900. A few months later the Russian Emperor publicly stated that he, "with a view to the speediest possible restoration of friendly relations with China, has been pleased to decide not to annex any portion of China to Russian territories, but to limit himself to taking those measures which are necessary for the peaceful and continued use of the railway built by us across Manchuria, and for the free navigation of the Amur by our vessels." In that very same month, October, 1900, the whole of Manchuria was announced to be in Russian possession. Still the game of making promises went merrily on until the convention was signed a year ago. By this instrument Manchuria was acknowledged to be an integral part of China, with the sovereign and administrative powers restored to the Celestial Empire. The Russian troops were to be gradually withdrawn; that is to say they were to evacuate the country from the Great Wall to the Liao River within six months from April 8, 1902. From this river, including the remainder of Moukden and Kirin, within the next six months, and from the rest of Manchuria within the third six months. Russia should in fact be now completing the evacuation.

HOW RUSSIA HAS KEPT HER PROMISES.

The work of evacuation went along with a great flourish of trumpets, Russian statesmen and diplomats being emphatic in calling attention to the care and punctuality with which the promises repeatedly made were being fulfilled. Then on October 8 of last year, the stipulated day, the section of the northern railway under Russian control was formally handed over to the Chinese authorities. On the same day all Manchuria south of the Liao River was evacuated. At the time Dr. Morrison, the Pekin correspondent of the London "Times," pointed out that the evacuation was a farce. The Russian troops were indeed withdrawn, but no further than the Russian concessions along the line. The line is a military strategical railway, with blockhouses every three or four miles, and with garrisons at every important point. "Every vulnerable point is guarded," writes Dr. Morrison, "every bridge is doubly guarded." Russia can add at will to the strength of the garrisons. She has now 30,000 "railway guards" along the line, only she does not call them "railway guards" but "frontier guards." If she chose to place 300,000 of those guards on duty there is nobody to object. The troops have evacuated the cities, but they have not gone further away than the railway, and as the railway goes past the principal cities, the guarding of the line means practically the occupation of the nearest city whenever such a step seems necessary. Thus there was a permanent garrison of 6000 Russian troops in Moukden. It is there no longer. The garrison has evacuated the city. But just outside the walls of the city there are 6000 Russian guards who have to watch over the safety of the line. What has been done in the case of Moukden has been done also in the case of Tsitsihar and Kirin, the other capital cities, and of strong positions such as Ninguta, Leao-yang, and Kaiyuan. It is as if an enemy's fleet, having landed marines in Sydney streets, had agreed to withdraw them, the ships of war all the time being comfortably anchored in Farm Cove with their guns trained on the city.

THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS.

Now that a year has elapsed since the signing of the Manchurian Convention the Russian Government has shown its hand more clearly to China. By that convention China was to exercise sovereign and administrative powers over Manchuria, just as before the Russian occupation. Now, however, it appears that she must not agree to the establishment of any new treaty port in Manchuria, or to the appointment of any new foreign consulates. Niuchwang is indeed to be handed over to China, but the Customs returns must be paid into the Russo-Chinese Bank. China is to have administrative powers in Manchuria, but she is to be careful to see that none but Russians shall be employed in the administration. If these conditions are not fulfilled no further steps will be taken to evacuate the provinces. In the circumstances, China has, naturally enough, rejected the conditions; but what is the use of her objecting in view of the divided counsels of Europe, with France and Austria-Hungary tacitly and Germany avowedly siding with Russia, and with only Great Britain opposed to the arrangement? Japan has sent three warships to Niuchwang, and the United States and Great Britain have sent protests to Peking.

WHAT WAS TO BE EXPECTED.

Early this year the "Times" republished an interesting article contributed to the "Novoe Vremya" by a correspondent in Manchuria, which gave additional proof of the real intentions of Russia in regard to the province. The writer says:—

"It is said that we are leaving Manchuria; but, as a matter of fact, those on the spot have a totally different impression, and it seems as if we had only just begun to settle down there in real earnest and to take up the work with energy. And how could it be otherwise, seeing that we have only just taken in hand our great work of civilisation, which has not yet lost its fascination for us? The general impression—the energy with which towns, ports, and great commercial centres are being constructed, the solidity with which the great railway line has been laid—all this points to the conclusion that we have time before us, and it does not seem as if there were a single Russian in Manchuria who does not believe in a brilliant future for us in this country, or, indeed, who has any doubts about the matter. Instead of being there in order to take our departure we have begun the preliminary surveys for a new branch of the Chinese railway. It has been decided that we are to construct a branch line to Kirin, and the surveying party left Harbin at the end of November under the leadership of M. Janson. This branch is important both for commercial and for strategic reasons; for if our railway did not touch Kirin it would miss the great trading centre of that part of Manchuria. More trading routes pass through Kirin than through any other town in the province. It is a kind of junction for all the commerce of China with Northern Manchuria, Korea, and the Amur regions, and through it pass the main roads leading to Moukden and Peking, to Korea, and to the Russian frontier." After dwelling at great length on the commercial advantages of this line, the correspondent says that its strategic importance lies in the fact that Kirin will, in all probability, be a station on the way to the coast, so that the new line will eventually connect the Manchurian railway with the ports of the Sea of Japan.

THE MANCHURIAN RAILWAY.

"There can be no doubt," wrote M. Witte, the Russian Minister of Finance, in his report to the Czar on his journey to the Far East last autumn, "there can be no doubt that a railway which brings Vladivostok within 12 or 15 days' journey of the centre of Russia can only cause its more speedy development, and not its ruin. In history progress is measured by centuries, and not by years. From this point of view the construction of the Manchurian railway and the foundation of Port Arthur and Dalny constitute a great achievement, the solution of an historical problem, and one of the last steps in Russia's forward movement towards the Far East is Russia's endeavour to make her way to the open ports of the Pacific."

The railway itself covers a distance of 1555 miles, and runs through the three provinces of Manchuria—Heh-lung-kiang, Kirin, and Moukden, in that order from north to south—whose combined area is equal to that of France and Germany. Three-fourths of the line had been ballasted by the end of last year, all the permanent bridges are open, and three trains pass over the line daily in every direction. The most important section of the railway is that which runs from Harbin to Port Arthur and Dalny, a distance of 615 miles. Port Arthur is the important strategic point which Great Britain might have had for the asking, and which Russia in her unobtrusive way took without the asking. It is now, Russians say, as impregnable a fortress as any in the world. The railway goes through some rich territory, which, when properly developed, will more than repay the money devoted to its construction. But it is in its strategic value that its importance chiefly lies to Russia at present, opening, as M. Witte says, Russia's way to the open ports of the Pacific, and helping her great forward movement to the Far East. So surely fixed is Russia in her guardianship of the railway that nothing short of a revolution could upset her. As the railway was being constructed Russian workmen and Russian tradesmen followed the army of navvies, protected by the army of occupation. The Chinese have been relegated to the background. Towns which were Chinese in appearance and government and manner a few years ago are distinctly Russian now. Take Moukden, for instance, the chief city in Manchuria, with a population of some 300,000. Russians are everywhere. "A cartoon drawn by a Chinese humorist," writes Dr. Morrison to the "Times," "well depicts the scene. A Chinese mandarin with back bent is sweeping the street. Over him there stands a Russian soldier with a whip in his hand and a rifle on his back, and below is the inscription in Chinese characters: 'Faithful by day—sweeping the street; faithful by night—lighting the lamp.'" The railway has Russified Manchuria, and so long as the railway exists, guarded by Russian soldiers, the evacuation of Manchuria, so solemnly and so frequently promised, is still far off.

PECULIAR DIVORCE CASE.

AN UNWILLING BRIDE.

BRISBANE, Monday.

In the Supreme Court to-day a suit for a declaration to nullify the marriage ceremony was heard. The parties to the case were described as Sarah Levy, falsely called Wardmassey, petitioner, against George Wardmassey, defendant. The petition set forth that on October 14, 1902, petitioner had gone through the ceremony of marriage with the defendant at the Registrar's Office in Brisbane, that the petitioner was at the time a minor and was compelled to go through the ceremony owing to defendant's threats, and was not a full consenting party. The petitioner stated that the defendant was a cook, and when he proposed marriage she refused him as she did not like him. The defendant, who boarded at petitioner's mother's, was turned out on one occasion. He said he was going to make her marry him, and drew a revolver half out of his pocket. She walked away because she was frightened, but did not tell her mother or father, as she was afraid he would shoot her. Whenever witness went out the defendant followed her. The defendant sent her a paper which he told her she must fill in, and added: "You will marry me or I will blow your brains out." At the same time he pulled a revolver half way from his pocket. Defendant said if she told her father or mother he would shoot them. Defendant told her to be at the Registry Office at 3 o'clock on a certain Tuesday. Witness said she would not be there, but on arriving home she filled in the form, stating her age to be over 21, as defendant said she must. On Tuesday afternoon her mother sent her out on a message, and she saw defendant. She went with defendant and another man and was married. Witness asked why he forced her to marry him, and he replied he was satisfied to be revenged on her mother. He said it was a good job she had come or he would have waited outside the house and shot her. Witness never lived with the defendant. Witness was ill for a fortnight after the marriage, and was afraid to go out at night. On April 10 defendant threatened witness' mother, and was bound over to keep the peace. After finishing her evidence the petitioner fainted.

The Deputy Registrar-General said he certified to the marriage. He noticed no nervousness on the part of the bride. The parties were talking and laughing.

EIGHT HOURS DEMONSTRATION.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The annual procession in connection with the Eight-hours Demonstration was carried out this morning in dull, threatening weather. Little or no rain fell while the procession was en route, but the spectacular portion of the display suffered somewhat by the complete absence of sunshine. The threatening weather also had a bad effect upon the attendance of spectators in the streets through which the procession passed. In the number of brass bands, gay-coloured banners, effective tableaux, and the trade societies taking part an advance was shown on previous displays, and in these respects the demonstration was highly successful.

THE LUNCHEON.

THE STATE MINISTRY DENOUNCED.

The luncheon held at the Exhibition-building to-day in connection with the Eight-hour demonstration was entirely confined to workers in the cause of labour, and was very largely attended. The principal guests were labour members of the Federal and the State Parliaments and visiting delegates from other States. The chair was occupied by Mr. A. Dobson, president of the Eight-hours committee. The usual loyal toasts were honoured. Senator M'Gregor, in responding to the toast of the Federal Parliament, said that the Federal Parliament was prepared to do something to better the condition of the mass of the people, and the multitude were beginning to recognise that the workers should strengthen the Federal Parliament and watch that the State Parliament did its duty.

Mr. Bromley, M.L.A., in responding to the toast of the "State Parliament," condemned the Irvine Government for its attitude towards labour, and he denounced the action of the directors of the Jumbunna colliery in choosing Eight-hour Day to collect undesirable workers and convey them to the colliery.

Mr. Prendergast, M.L.A., said that had the individuals who went to work that day at Jumbunna done that kind of thing in 1856 they would have met short shrift and a long rope from the old pioneers.

Mr. Tom Mann, in proposing the toast of "The Day We Celebrate," said that if the reform of the Irvine Government had meant anything they would not have felt the bitterness caused by what was going on in connection with the Gippsland coal mines. Every interpretation of the law by the Irvine Government was adverse to the workers, and the Government was as essentially capitalistic as any in the old country. Nothing but the wiping out of the present Government and the complete establishment of a real democratic Parliament and Government in sympathy with the true wealth producer would suffice.

THE SPORTS.

The principal event was the Anniversary Wheel Race, which was secured by A. Browne after a very good race, D. J. Walker, who just beat Browne for the Druid's Wheel Race, was favourite for to-night's final, but the back men never got up, and the race resolved itself into a struggle between Browne, Morgan, and Flack, who finished in the order named. Following are the results:—

Eight-hour Wheel Race, 2m.; prizes, £12 0, £40, and £10.—Final: A. Browne, 270yds., 1; R. W. Morgan, 280yds., 2; A. G. Flack, 130yds., 3. Time, 4m. 11s.

Eight-hour Plate, 4m.; prizes, £15, £4, £1.—G. R. Morgan, 5yds., 1; J. Fil ell, 15yds., 2; A. C. Coleman, 35yds., 3. Won by a length.

Trades Unions Handicap, 1m.; prizes, £10, £4, £2.—W. S. Holbern, 1; A. E. Keating, 2; F. Diverrhouse, 3.

One Mile International Scratch Race; prizes £15, £5, £2.—D. J. Walker, 1; J. Fissell, 2; G. R. Morgan, 3. Time, 2m. 6 2-5s.

Five Miles International Scratch; prizes £20, £5, £2.—M. C. Hopper, 1; D. J. Walker, 2; W. M'Donald, 3. Time, 11m. 38s.

An interesting exhibition of riding behind a motor was given by F. A. Murphy. He had ridden eight miles at a fast pace when the tyre of the motor blew out. Murphy did the eight miles in 15m. 3 3-5s.

THE WEATHER.

FURTHER GOOD FALLS OF RAIN.

OVER THREE-QUARTERS OF THE STATE.

THE STORM CEASED.

The weather chart issued from the Observatory yesterday shows that during the 48 hours ended at 9 a.m. excellent rains continued to fall over three-quarters of the State. Most of the rain recorded below fell during the course of Saturday, the rainfall for Sunday being comparatively light.

Along the Darling the showers were very light in character, ranging from 1 point at Tilpa to 22 at Wentworth. With the exception of 11 points at Broken Hill, no rain fell to the westward of the Darling.

On the Lachlan a good fall of 63 points was received at Euabalong, while 20 points fell at Hillston, 15 at Balranald, 17 at Condobolin, and 34 at Forbes.

Riverina both west and east participated in the welcome showers, and many heavy downpours are reported from that district. These falls, added to the steady rains of the preceding days, cannot fail to have a most beneficial effect upon the vast pastoral and agricultural industries. The highest registration in Riverina during the period under review was 111 points at Jerilderie. Ninety points was measured at Albury, three-quarters of an inch at Urana, 82 points at Howlong, nearly half an inch at Corowa, 37 points at Tocumwal, 26 at Deniliquin, and 30 at Moulamein. Among other useful falls in Eastern Riverina were those of 60 points at Germanton, nearly an inch at Tumbarumba, 80 points at Tumut, upwards of half an inch at Tarcutta, three-quarters of an inch at Adelong, 35 points at Coolamon, and about a quarter of an inch at Junee.

On the Murrumbidgee the best falls were:—Hay, Carrathool, and Narrandera 35 points each, Wagga 31, and Gundagai 27.

Over the Southern districts the quantities measured averaged a quarter of an inch. The heaviest downpour was that received at Yass, where 60 points of rain was recorded, and the next registration in importance was that of 43 points at Burrowa.

On the Western ranges, Katoomba had 71 points and Mount Victoria 57. At other centres the showers were of a lighter character. Copious rains descended over the country to the westward of the Blue Mountains, extending for a considerable distance. At Hill End over 1½in. fell, and at Blayney the registration was almost 1½in. Carcoar received 1in., and at Wellington and Orange barely an inch was measured.

The large area of country in the north watered by the tributaries of the Darling as well as the northern highlands participated in the rains of Saturday. One and a quarter inch was registered at Coonabarabran, and 118 points at Nundle. Emmaville had almost an inch, and Bingara on the Gwydir 94 points. Walcha reports 68 points, and Bundarra on the Gwydir 53 points. Upwards of half an inch was recorded at Inverell, Tenterfield, and Coolah. Yetman benefited to the extent of 62 points.

On the Queensland border several excellent falls occurred, including those of 86 points at Kunopia, 40 points at Goodooga, and 45 at Boggabilla.

Along the coast the rains were generally light and scattered. Clarence Heads (32 points) was the highest record.

At Sydney the total quantity of rain measured at the Observatory during the 48 hours was only 3 points.

Appended are the complete rainfall records for the 48 hours ended at 9 a.m.:—

Adaminaby	12	Kunopia	86
Adelong	75	Kurrajong	54
Albury	90	Kiandra	71
Armidale	42	Maitland	6
Balranald	15	Marsdens	20
Barmedman	46	Menindie	10
Bathurst	63	Mogil	23
Bingara	94	Molong	74
Bodalla	1	Morangarell	49
Bowral	16	Moree	26
Braidwood	2	Moss Vale	21
Brewarrina	1	Mount Hope	16
Broken Hill	11	Mount Victoria	57
Bundarra	52	Mudgee	74
Barraba	48	Mungindi	69
Barringun	12	Murrumburrah	36
Blackheath	8	Murrurundi	84
Brockville	87	Muswellbrook	15
Blayney	130	Manilla	43
Boggabilla	45	Merriwa	32
Boggabri	26	Michelago	16
Boorowa (Bookgal)	8	Millie	47
Bondella	73	Mossgiel	4
Bungendore	23	Moulamein	30
Burrowa	43	Nambucca	32
Brushgrove	30	New Angledool	45
Camden Haven	13	Nowra	10
Cape St. George	20	Nundle	118
Carcoar	100	Narrabri	41
Carinda	17	Narrandera	35
Cassilis	44	Newcastle	3
Clarence	32	Nymagee	7
Cobar	6	Orange	98
Condobolin	17	Picton	7
Coolah	58	Port Macquarie	29
Coolamon	35	Parkes	40
Cudal	52	Parramatta	28
Cooma	6	Peak Hill (4 days)	313
Coonabarabran	124	Pooncarie	18
Coonamble	23	Quambone	7
Cowra	29	Queanbeyan	14
Cudgellico	37	Quirindi	99
Carrathool	35	Rockley	65
Corowa	48	Rylstone	139
Deniliquin	26	Scone	28
Dubbo	21	Singleton	19
Dandaloo	18	Sydney	15
Delegate	15	Seal Rocks	33
Euabalong	63	Taralga	38
Emmaville	98	Tabulam	14
Eden	3	Tamworth	51
Euston	2	Taree	12
Forbes	34	Tenterfield	54
Gulargambone	1	Tarcutta	53
Goodooga	40	Temora	55
Green Cape	10	Tilpa	1
Gundagai	27	Trunkey Creek	347
Gunning	23	The Rock	50
Gabo Island	3	Tocumwal	37
Germanton	60	Trangie	10
Glen Innes	34	Tumbarumba	98
Goulburn	25	Tumut	80
Grafton	3	Uralla	93
Grenfell	40	Urana	24
Gulgong	53	Wagga	31
Gunnedah	20	Wee Waa	24
Howlong	82	Werris Creek	26
Hay	35	Windsor	23
Henty	68	Woolgoolga	29
Hill End	165	Wagga	31
Hillston	20	Walcha	68
Inverell	52	Walgett	11
Ivanhoe	7	Wariaida	40
Jerilderie	111	Wellington	98
Jerry's Plains	15	Wentworth	22
Junee	23	Wilcannia	8
Jervis Bay	20	Young	30
Katoomba	71	Yass	60
Kempsey	11	Yetman	62

Rain was still falling at 9 a.m. yesterday at Molong, Cudgellico, Carcoar, Taralga, Yass, Tumberumba, and Young. Very little rain, however, fell yesterday, and by the evening the storm had finally passed away from the State.

Mr. Russell says that the weather to-day will generally be fine and cool. Showery conditions, however, may be expected over Eastern Riverina and the southern coast and highlands. The winds will be westerly to south-westerly, and will be strong on the coast.

SYDNEY WATER SUPPLY.

The following rainfall on the Prospect catchment area has been reported:—For the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m., Sunday: Cataract, 20 points; Wilton 17 points. Monday, 9 a.m.: Cataract 50 points; Wilton, 30 points; Robertson, 10 points. The approximate duration of the supply of water in the Prospect reservoir, calculated as from 9 a.m. on Saturday on a basis of 20,000,000 gallons per day, was 312 days.

STATION REPORTS.

Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Limited, have received the following advices:—

Toulby, Barringun, April 25: "Eighty points in three days; will do good."

Eureka, Walgett, April 27: "Last three days showery, measuring half an inch; still unsettled."

Booroondara, Cobar, April 27: "One inch heavy rain 24th."

Waltaroobie, Coolamon, April 27: "250 points rain; still raining."

Callubri, Dandaloo, April 27: "223 points good soaking rain since Thursday."

Spring View, Wattamadarra, April 25: "Three days good soaking rain, total fall 203 points."

Benah, Cannonbar, April 25: "175 points rain since Thursday."

Tubbo, Whitton: "50 points fell here on the 22nd."

Rawden, Rylstone, April 25: "Since Wednesday afternoon till 8 this morning 419 points registered, and still raining very heavily."

Ivy Hall, Exeter, April 26: "252 points since Wednesday."

Arthursleigh, Marulan, April 26: "62 points up to Tuesday morning, and good showers every day since."

A STRANGE DUST STORM.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Yesterday afternoon a fierce wind storm was experienced all round Wellington. Trees were uprooted, and large limbs broken off in great numbers. The most remarkable feature was a dust storm accompanying the gale after so much rain had fallen everywhere. Steady rain followed the storm, and 24 points were recorded, bringing the total to 506 points.

DAMAGE AROUND GUNDAGAI.

GUNDAGAI, Monday.

In addition to the phenomenal rainfall near Coolac on Friday afternoon there was also an extraordinary fall at Jillengro and Mundarlo, about 20 miles to the south-west. Residents of the district for 50 years say the fall was the heaviest in that time. Considerable damage has been done to the main southern road owing to the washing away of causeways, culverts, and new road construction. Three culverts were swept away near Mundarlo, and also several near Upper Tarcutta. The Jillengro bridge was partly destroyed. Four or five miles of the main south road was rendered unfit for traffic. The road superintendent at Tumut (Mr. Adam) went out to inspect the road to-day. A portion of the Tumut railway line has been considerably damaged.

FALLS OF SNOW.

BLAYNEY, Monday.

A heavy storm of rain, accompanied by hail and snow, broke over the town yesterday afternoon, and continued till noon to-day. The rainfall since Wednesday means 5 inches 10 points. Although the fall is generally beneficial the poor stock may suffer from the severe cold. The outlook suggests that the winter will be severe.

MOUNT VICTORIA, Monday.

Snow fell yesterday afternoon. It was very cold to-day.

ORANGE, Monday.

Yesterday was very cold with a dense haze all the morning. At about 3 p.m. a heavy squall broke over the town, followed by thick sleet and light snow. There was light rain at night, and over 4½ inches have fallen since noon on Wednesday, making over 9 inches for the year to date.

RYLSTONE, Monday.

Since Saturday 109 points fell, making 559 points. It is reported that 4in. of snow fell at Cherry Tree Hill on the main Sydney Mudgee-road, 20 miles from here.

TARANA, Monday.

Since Wednesday night 373 points of rain have fallen. Snow commenced to fall at 4 p.m. yesterday, and continued till 6 p.m. It is bitterly cold to-day, with every appearance of more snow.

TRUNKEY CREEK, Monday.

To-day 347 points were recorded. There was a light fall of snow yesterday.

BRUSHGROVE, Monday.

On Saturday night 30 points fell.

CASSILIS, Monday.

Last evening 44 points fell, making 158 points. Tongy station got 250, and Collaroy 153.

COBAR, Monday.

After the heavy rain a duststorm occurred yesterday morning, lasting two hours. The town was almost completely in darkness owing to the gravel being blown about. Windows were broken. A little rain fell. The Wilcannia mail arrived nine hours late.

COWRA, Monday.

Twenty-nine points of rain have fallen since Saturday, making a total of 273 since the weather broke.

CUDAL, Monday.

Since Saturday morning 52 points fell.

CANOWINDRA, Monday.

The rainfall since Thursday was 247 points.

DUBBO, Monday.

A duststorm on Sunday afternoon was followed by rain. Several trees were uprooted and roofs taken off by the wind, which blew with cyclonic force. To-day 21 points were recorded. The river rose to 17ft. on Sunday, and this morning was down to 8ft.

FORBES, Monday.

About 2 a.m. on Sunday a duststorm occurred, darkening the atmosphere. It was followed by hail and rain amounting to 37 points.

GERMANTON, Monday.

Rain continued yesterday, and 60 points were recorded. The total fall has been 214 points. It is now clearing.

GLEN INNES, Monday.

Steady rain set in on Saturday afternoon and continued throughout the night. Yesterday was cold, with a keen westerly wind and occasional showers.

HARDEN, Monday.

To-day 36 points were recorded making 308.

HENTY, Monday.

Heavy rain fell on Friday night, and 230 points were recorded in two days. About 180 points fell in an hour, and washed away part of the railway line and fencing between here and Culcairn.

JERILDERIE, Monday.

On Saturday 75 points fell, and on Sunday 35, making 470 points for the month. The Government dam, which was recently erected across Billabong Creek, east of the town, was wrecked by the rush of water. A private dam, which was recently made by the trustees of the recreation reserve across the creek further down, and not so wide as the Government dam, withstood the rush of water. Its two walls of brick and cement in the bywash carried the flood waters away splendidly. The roads between here and Deniliquin are a quagmire.

LITHGOW, Monday.

The total rainfall from Wednesday to this morning was 316 points. Last evening light snow fell, and the weather is still cold.

LIVERPOOL, Monday.

About 6 o'clock last night a violent storm occurred. For about a quarter of an hour preceding the storm a roaring sound could be heard. This terrified many of the townspeople. The storm, which was accompanied by heavy rain, lasted for only a short period. No damage is reported.

LOCKHART, Monday.

Good rains fell on Saturday and yesterday, making 215 points since Thursday. Within a radius of 20 miles the record ranged from 2in. to 4in.

MILLTHORPE, Monday.

On Sunday afternoon heavy snow for an hour and a half was followed by 77 points of rain.

MOLONG, Monday.

To-day the weather is bitterly cold, with intermittent showers, making the sixth consecutive day on which rain has fallen. About 4 inches have been averaged throughout the district, which completely alters the outlook. There is now every promise of good winter feed for the stock. Yesterday a heavy sleet storm was experienced. The cold weather has had a severe effect on stock.

MUDGEE, Monday.

Yesterday afternoon a terrific gale blew. It is estimated that the velocity of the wind reached 70 miles an hour. The town was enveloped in dust, although 4in. of rain had fallen on the previous three days. Two cyclists were blown off their machines. Trees were felled and outhouses unroofed.

NARRANDERA, Monday.

At 9 a.m. 35 points were recorded.

NEW ANGLEDOOL, Monday.

Since Friday night 45 points fell.

NYNGAN, Monday.

A few flying showers fell during yesterday, and to-day it has been bitterly cold and cloudy.

PARKES, Monday.

On Saturday and Sunday 45 points fell, making 285 points for five days. Farmers are jubilant. It is still cloudy.

There were good rainfalls on the catchment area 13 miles from town. The storage dam, which has been dry for two months, now contains 10ft. of water, and the supply is increasing.

PEAK HILL, Monday.

The total rainfall was 313 points. There is general rejoicing. The dam recently excavated by the Government at Mingelo is full.

THE ROCK, Monday.

At 9 a.m. 50 points were recorded, making 200 for the week.

WAGGA, Monday.

The total rainfall to 9 o'clock this morning was 360 points.

WALGETT, Monday.

To-day 29 points were recorded. Come-by-Chance got 30. In consequence of the rain the Coonamble coach, due on Saturday, arrived yesterday about 21 hours late. The Narrabri coach arrived last night 13 hours late.

YOUNG, Monday.

At 9 a.m. on Saturday 218 points were recorded, making 290 for the week.

THE VICTORIAN CROPS.

DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

Splendid rains during the last three or four days made the outlook for the Victorian wheatgrower brighter than it has been for many years past. The reports as to condition of the new crop are uniformly cheering, and the later rains, ranging generally from 1 inch to 1½ inch over the Mallee, the northern counties, the Goulburn Valley, and north-east, add still further to the encouraging outlook. A feature of the autumnal rains this year has been their frequency. They followed each other in quick succession, and thus vegetation has received added benefit from all that has fallen. Damage has been done in places by flood waters.

At Ballarat the blocking of a drain and collapse of a brick wall led to the cellars of the Barleysheaf Brewery being flooded. An employee named Frank Medley narrowly escaped injury from a falling wall.

Newstead, Trentham, Wycheproof, and other places report damage to gardens, orchards, and house property in low-lying levels through the accumulation of rain water.

QUEENSLAND RAINFALL.

BRISBANE, Monday.

The following is a list of the principal rainfalls for the 48 hours ending at 9 a.m. to-day:—Balfe's Creek 16 points, Charters Towers 70, Hillgrove 20, Ravenswood Junction 44, Sellheim 155, Cambooya 29, Clermont 10, Gladstone 46, Jundah 10, Port Alma 12, Raglan 15, Rolleston 17, Yeppoon 36, Allora 13, Augathella 20, Beaudesert 25, Beenleigh 17, Bell 19, Bolton 64, Caboolture 14, Caboolture 14, Cambooya 20, Charleville 68, Clifton 15, Cooran 20, Cooroy 11, Cressbrook 37, Crow's Nest 10, Dalby 38, Dinmore 10, Dirranbandi 51, Ernest Junction 16, Fernvale 10, Goodwood 13, Goondiwindi 40, Harrisville 18, Hebel 45, Isis Junction 36, Jimbour 20, Jondowaie 28, Killarney 15, Laidley 15, Leyburn 25, Lowood 33, Marshall 27, Maryborough 31, Miles 26, Milmerran 31, Mitchell 41, Morven 16, Mount Brisbane 25, Nanango 15, Nerang 13, Nobby 20, Oakey 15, Oxenford 12, Pittsworth 28, Pratten 26, Redbank 21, Riverview 14, Roma 29, Springbluff 12, Stanthorpe 36, St. George 40, Surat 18, Tallebudgera 18, Taroom 22, Texas 66, Toowoomba 13, Wallumbilla 86, Warwick 17, Wyandra 20, Yandilla 45, Brisbane and suburbs 7 to 37, Cloncurry 39, Mackinlay 12, West Leichhardt 68, Yelvertoft 138, Alpha 42, Winton 14, Chinchilla 32, Dalveen 37, Gowrie Junction 11, Daandine 32, Jondaryan 10, Macalister 43, Yeulba 40.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

DAMAGE TO SHIPPING.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

The mild calm weather of the past week, with the exception of strong easterly winds which made the passage of inter-state boats particularly rough, was suddenly broken up by fierce westerly winds about 5 a.m. on Saturday. The storm raged stronger on Saturday night. It did considerable damage to several coasting vessels moored at Port Adelaide wharfs, and also smashed two or three piles on the wharf frontages. The Paroo entered the Port River several hours before daylight on Saturday. When nearing the wharfs a sudden squall struck her, and she rapidly drifted down upon the ketch Lillie Hawkins, which was severely crushed, while a couple of wharf piles were broken. Having got clear of the ketch and wharf, the Paroo once more proceeded on her way to Queen's Wharf, which is about 100 yards higher up the river. When abreast of the wharf she was again struck by a heavy squall, and this time bore down upon the ketch Esther, moored alongside of the ketch Priscilla at the wharf. Both of the ketches were badly crushed, while one pile was wrenched off the wharf and another twisted and splintered. The Paroo was berthed at the wharf without further mishap.

THE DROUGHT.

LORD MAYOR'S FUND.

The fund is controlled by a committee of citizens. The honorary treasurers are Messrs. George Maiden, Frank Grimley, and J. Randal Carey, and the honorary secretaries are Messrs. Thomas Nesbitt (town clerk) and H. C. Brierley, A.I.A.V. Communications addressed to the honorary secretaries, Vickery's-chambers, 82 Pitt-street, will receive prompt attention. The amounts received on account of this fund to date are as follow:—

	£	s.	d.
Amount previously acknowledged	21,302	3	9
Berry Branch, additional	67	18	0
Per Mrs. J. A. Flynn and Miss Dalley, proceeds of Waverley Ladies' Garden Fete, held on April 4	48	10	5
Police in the Southern Districts, per Edmund Fosbery	20	16	0
Proceeds from Concert and Entertainment (dramatic) held in Drummoyne, April 7, 1903, per Miss J. Lambton and G. Coles, hon. secretaries	16	12	3
Rouchel and Aberdeen Committee, per Chas. E. Peachey	8	14	0
Readers of "The Christian," per Morgan and Scott, London	3	5	0
Amount collected by J. Allen, Taree, Manning River	1	10	0
Masonic Lodge Star of the West, Parkes	1	1	0
Seaborn and Weston, Parkes	1	1	0
Restitution for Mason	0	10	0
Card 245, per Ladies' Committee:— Amount collected by Mrs. Percy Griffith	0	4	6
"Anra," per "Daily Telegraph"	0	1	3
	£21,472	7	2

The Drought Relief Fund has now reached a total of £21,472 7s 2d. Among the amounts received yesterday were the following:—Berry committee, £67 18s; Waverley garden fete, £48 10s 5d; police in the southern districts, £20 16s; concert and dramatic entertainment, Drummoyne, £16 12s 3d.

Letters have been sent to the local committees asking them to give an estimate of the total sums required to carry them over the winter, and also what effect the recent rains have had in the way of affording relief.

The canvassers for the Elizabethan Fair and Bruce Auction report very encouraging results, and the committee expect to get several musical instruments from different warehouses. It is anticipated that the proceeds of the fair and auction will swell the fund by several thousands of pounds.

A large number of individual applications for relief were received yesterday by Mr. Brierley, the hon. secretary to the fund. A report was received from Angledool stating that, while every person there was suffering from the effects of the drought in some way or other, the distress was not sufficient to warrant relief being sought from the Lord Mayor's Fund.

A complaint has been received from Cargo that the grant of relief to distressed settlers is being unnecessarily delayed by the fact that there is no committee meeting until May 2. A letter was at once despatched to the local committee at Cudal urging the need of closer attention to these matters, as people might starve between meetings held so far apart. It was suggested that arrangements might be made to hold meetings more frequently, it being pointed out that most of the local committees met daily.

The Jerilderie committee has asked whether it would be justified in granting relief to men resident in the town, who are generally employed by the farmers, but are now out of work owing to the failure of the crops. A reply has been sent that the intention of the executive is that absolute discretion shall be left to the local committees in all cases of distress resulting from the drought. It was pointed out that the fund does not exist to take the place of ordinary local means of relief, it having been collected for a special purpose. If the drought had caused the distress, and there were women and children in the case, the executive strongly advised relief being granted.

NOWRA, Monday.

A girls' bazaar on Friday and Saturday last in aid of the New South Wales Drought Relief Fund realised over £40.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

LAND GRANT TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILWAY.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

Captain H. V. Barclay, civil engineer and engineering surveyor, arrived in Adelaide from England last week for the purpose of gaining information regarding the proposed land grant transcontinental railway. In 1878 he was in charge of a Government exploration party to the Northern Territory. After an absence of over three years from the State, he has come to Adelaide representing a manufacturing and shipping combine which is taking a lively interest in the transcontinental railway project. "The combination of which I am at present managing director," remarked Mr. Barclay on Monday, "consists of four large steel and rail manufacturing firms and a strong shipping company. We are prepared to tender for the construction of the line, providing that certain matters which we cannot at present quite understand are cleared up. I will wait upon the Premier at the earliest opportunity, and in three months' time will journey through to Port Darwin to make further examination of the country along the proposed route of the railway."

Mr. Andrew O'Keefe, contractor for the Light's Passage railway line, left by train on Monday morning for Oodnadatta, with the intention of crossing a portion of the continent to inspect the route of the proposed land grant railway to Pine Creek. Mr. O'Keefe will probably tender for the construction of the line.

GOOD RAINS REPORTED.

Dr. Chewings arrived at Oodnadatta from Winnecke's Depot, and reports all creeks running on the way down. In addition to rains reported up to 9 o'clock on Saturday morning heavy showers have fallen south of Wilmington and Orroroo, covering the whole of the central, southern, and south-eastern districts. For 48 hours ending 9 o'clock this morning generally speaking all the stations within this area had over half an inch, and most places much more. The Commissioner for Public Works received a telegram to-day stating there is now 27ft. of water in the Bundaleer reservoir, representing 232,000,000 gallons.

INTERSTATE MAILS.

The interstate mails leave Adelaide by special train at 7.40 p.m.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

THE CLUNE v. CLUNE CASE.

PERTH, Monday.

The chancery suit, Clune v. Clune, was continued on Friday. Malachi Bready Meagher, who had given advice to the family of the deceased Matthew Clune, gave evidence. He said he had received £200 in connection with the settlement of an action, Bishop v. Clune, and for annulling an action of his own, and for refraining to advise other members of the family. He also received £360 from J. and J. Clune for surrendering the lease of the estate known as Bassendean, and said he had induced them to sell that estate to Wesley Maley, though he was himself standing in with the purchaser.

The Commissioner for Police has received a telegram from Onslow stating that Mr. W. H. Speed, manager of a travelling theatrical company, has been missing from that town since Wednesday. Dragging operations near the jetty led to the discovery of a pair of trousers much torn by sharks.

Alfred Barrington Abbot on Saturday was committed for trial on a charge of stealing £200, the property of James Slaney Brown, at the Globe Hotel on Thursday.

TASMANIA.

POTATO COMPETITION.

LAUNCESTON, Monday.

W. Henry, of Gunn's Plains, secured the first prize in the West Devon potato competition, his yield being 19 tons 12cwt. 3qr. 12lb. to the acre. He also secured second prize, J. R. Marshall being third.

THE SOUTH ESK ELECTION.

The Chief Secretary opened his campaign for the South Esk seat in the Legislative Council at Scottsdale to-night declaring that the Government would seek the repeal of the income tax as far as personal exertion was concerned, and in the meantime would not collect that portion of the tax.

NEW ZEALAND.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO A BARRISTER.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Mr. Travers, a well-known barrister died from injuries received while alighting from a moving train. He was 84 years of age, and arrived in the colony in 1849. He represented Nelson, Christchurch, and Wellington in Parliament at various periods.

ARBITRATION AWARD.

The Arbitration Court ruled in favour of the employers in the Auckland lockout, holding that the discharge of the workmen was not a breach of the award.

TRAIN ACCIDENT.

Portion of a goods train was derailed near Featherstone, colliding with a horse. The fireman (Harry Fee) was badly injured, and died in a few hours.

ORPHANAGE BURNED.

The Boys' Orphanage at Stoke, near Nelson, was completely burned. The inmates got out safely. The insurance amount to £3600, but the estimated loss over insurance is £10,000.

LATE SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—April 28.

Eden, s., 893 tons, Captain G. Walker, from Eden. Illawarra S. N. Co., Limited, agents.

Coomonderry, s., 147 tons, Captain S. Casey, from Moruya. J. Aubin and Son, agents.

STATE POLITICS.

THE LIBERAL AND REFORM PARTY MANIFESTO.

CRITICISED BY MINISTERS.

REMARKS BY THE PREMIER.

MANIFESTO OF THE "COCKSURE PARTY."

The Premier on being interviewed yesterday afternoon by a "Herald" representative with regard to his views on the manifesto of the Liberal and Reform League said:—"I should say it is the manifesto of the 'cocksure party,' because they seem to me to assume that they are superior to Parliament itself. If Parliament thinks I have been recreant to my trust, then members have a right to give me my quietus. You cannot carry out in one session the whole of the programme drawn up by a Government, hence it is preposterous to say that the Government should be condemned because it did not carry out in one session a programme sufficiently large to engage the attention of Parliament for three sessions. I should say that the Liberal and Reform Association is the 'Placard Party.' The first item in the manifesto is 're-establishment of the principles of responsible government in their integrity.' That is a confirmation of one of the principles on which the Government has always acted. I will not go through the manifesto clause by clause, because it would be wearisome to do so. Mr. Carruthers was one of the gentlemen who were anxious for the House to prorogue last session. I am not aware that anything has happened since to necessitate calling Parliament together at an earlier period than is usual. There are so many planks in the manifesto that there is a danger of some of them tumbling overboard. I think this manifesto might be set to comic music, and sung at the Opera-house to the great enjoyment of the public. I am quite prepared to trust Parliament to deal with me, and, whatever the result may be, I shall be quite satisfied."

STATEMENT BY MR. B. R. WISE.

"CRIBBING" THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMME.

"Have you seen the manifesto?" Mr. B. R. Wise was asked yesterday afternoon by a "Herald" representative.

"Which manifesto do you mean?" asked that gentleman. "It has been raining manifestos lately."

"The manifesto published in to-day's 'Sydney Morning Herald.'"

"Oh, you mean the manifesto of the Liberal and Reform League, of which that ardent liberal and well-known reformer, Mr. J. H. Want, M.L.C., is vice-president. Yes, I have read it. What most strikes me about it is the number of planks that it contains. There is a general plank, a special plank, a fighting plank, and a plank without an epithet. It does not seem to me that all these planks put together would construct a ship that could keep afloat such a very unseamanlike crew."

"But what do you think of the policy laid down in the manifesto?"

"So far as I can see it is an adoption of the Government programme."

"In what particular?"

"In regard to the questions of sound government, irrigation, reform of the land laws, financial economy, and reduction in the number of members. Every one of these questions is actually now before Parliament in bills introduced by the Government. For instance, there is a Land Bill, an Irrigation Bill, and a Reduction of Members Bill. In respect to economy the Government has been steadily reducing expenditure during the last few months since it became at liberty to do so. The Treasurer can give you figures for the quarter just closed, and they will show an enormous reduction in loan expenditure."

"But has not the expenditure of the Government been excessive?"

"The expenditure has been high," observed Mr. Wise, "and possibly too much has been attempted in a short space of time. But had the drought not occurred no one would have recognised that the expenditure had been abnormal. The truth is that when the Government came into office it succeeded, after Sir William Lyne's Administration, the Government of Mr. Reid, which for five years starved all the necessary public services. I have not the figures by me, but they can be furnished by the Treasurer. You will find from them that the rolling stock of our railways and the condition of the permanent way were allowed to run down so much during Mr. Reid's Administration that we had to spend a sum amounting to many millions to make the railways serviceable and productive."

"When people talk of the loan expenditure of the present Government, they ought to remember how much of it was loan expenditure by the Railway Commissioners. I speak only from memory, but I believe it will be found that more than half of the expenditure (excluding the resumptions) was incurred by the Railway Commissioners on these very necessary works. And what is the result? The gross railway revenue has been enormously increased. Had it not been for the loss caused by the drought, and the great concessions made to pastoralists by carrying starving stock and fodder at low rates, the net returns would have been very much larger than they are."

"But what about reduction in the number of members of Parliament?"

"The Government," replied Mr. Wise, "gave the best proof of its determination in that matter by introducing a bill at the close of last session to reduce the number of members to 94. Such a measure can be of no use until the electorates are subdivided on the new basis created by female franchise. It is absolutely impossible to begin the subdivision of electorates until the female electoral rolls are ready. In fact the Woman's Franchise Bill has not yet received the Royal assent, as it had to be sent to London for the approval of the King. But Sir John See did not wait for the return of the measure before taking steps to bring it into operation at the earliest possible moment. The names of females qualified to vote have been collected, and every preparation made to issue the electors' rights immediately the Royal assent has been given to the bill. When in London I had several interviews on the matter with the authorities at the Colonial Office, with a view of expediting the final approval of the bill. A reduction in the number of members necessarily involves a redistribution of seats, and that is impossible until both the male and female electoral rolls are complete. Therefore this talk about the introduction 12 months ago of a bill to reduce the number of members, becomes, in view of the speedy passage of womanhood suffrage, simply ridiculous.

"The Government at the last election asked for a mandate from the people to deal with the reduction in the number of members, even before womanhood suffrage, but the Opposition declared that the only issue at the election was freetrade or protection, consequently no clear expression of opinion could be obtained from the electors upon the subject of Parliamentary reform. After Parliament met other measures, as well as the Women's Suffrage Bill, put back still further the question of the redistribution of seats."

"From what you have seen and heard, do you think the Government is likely to be defeated?"

"Quite the contrary," said Mr. Wise. "We have the press against us, but we had it against us at the last general election."

MR. ASHTON INTERVIEWED.

GOULBURN, Monday.

Mr. Ashton, interviewed to-night regarding the Liberal League's manifesto, said that it was almost unnecessary for him to say that he thought that the manifesto covered questions of the most political moment at the present juncture. It might be urged by critics that it was lacking something in sparkle and colour, but the position in which the country found itself at present demanded in his opinion a very careful and sound policy of legislation for the next few years. Whatever parties might desire or aim at, it was inevitable that the setting of our finances in order must override all other questions in the order of importance. The country had to pay its way; and both in the ranks of the Government, if Mr. Waddell spoke with any authority at all, and in the ranks of those opposed to it, there would appear to be a common agreement that as a matter of stern necessity rather than deliberate policy borrowing must be very much restricted.

SIR JOHN SEE AND THE WOMEN'S ASSOCIATIONS.

Speaking to a large and influential deputation of members of 10 women's associations yesterday, the Premier thanked them heartily for many kind expressions of confidence in the Government that had been uttered by some of the speakers. He found it agreeably surprising, he said, to hear such kind remarks about the legislation the Government was already responsible for. He looked upon the passing of the woman's franchise as the crowning work of a noble list of legislative enactments. Considering how the Government was being abused just now, he found himself wondering sometimes whether he was a fit man to live in the State at all. However, he was pleased to see that there was a large amount of common sense in the community not engaged in active politics, and he thanked the women for their approval. He did not know how long the executioner would stay his hand, but he thought there would be time to pass some more much-needed legislation. There was too much party about the State legislation. If there were less party feeling and more work better laws would be framed. The Government had no desire to occupy its position a moment longer than the people desired. Indeed, speaking personally, he would be better pleased if he could attend more to his own business. The Government had done much good, yet by some curious con-

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tradition it seemed as if that was why it had got so much blame lately. He hoped the Governor's assent and the Imperial stamp for the legislation regarding womanhood suffrage would be given in time for the women to vote at the next election. Before that event came about, however, he hoped to pass the useful legislation desired by the women of the State.

LIBERAL AND REFORM ASSOCIATION.

BRANCH FORMED AT WAVERLEY.

ADDRESS BY MR. J. H. CARRUTHERS.

A meeting for the purpose of forming a branch of the Liberal and Reform Association was held at the Waverley Hall, Ebley-street, last night. The Mayor (Alderman W. J. Blunt) presided. There were also on the platform Messrs. J. A. Hogue, T. Jessep, F. E. Winchcombe, J. G. Carroll, Eden George, and D. Storey, Ms.L.A., Alderman J. C. Watson, Mr. Picton, and others.

The chairman said he was in sympathy with the platform of the association, as the desire was to put the present Government out of office. (Hear, hear.) He thought that if a vote were taken throughout the State at the present time there would be a very large majority against the Government. (Hear, hear.)

Alderman J. C. Kershaw moved,—"That a branch of the Liberal and Reform Association be now formed in the electorate of Waverley, and that the hon. secretaries pro tem. be Messrs. J. F. Cox and A. Parkhill, who are hereby empowered to take all further steps to completely organise the branch."

Mr. Picton seconded the motion.

Mr. J. H. Carruthers, on rising to speak, met with a warm reception. He said he wanted to show to that audience that there was something wrong in New South Wales, and he did not think he would have much difficulty in proving his case. (Laughter.) The fact that something was wrong was being discussed in the mother country and throughout the State. After speaking of the resources and financial prosperity of Canada, Mr. Carruthers said that 10 years ago the national debt of New South Wales amounted to £54,000,000; in 1903 it had increased to £81,000,000. Thus it would be seen that the national debt had increased in 10 years by 50 per cent. During the same period the population had only increased by 27 per cent. Unfortunately their population had been at a standstill, and it was an astonishing fact that during the past 10 years the population of men between the ages of 25 and 35—the bone and sinew of the land—had diminished. Some considered immigration a curse, and they did not want population. They looked upon new arrivals as intruders. He assured his audience that they would all be happier in the country if they had fifty millions of population than with their one and a third million. The cause of the wrong that existed was found in the facts that the national debt had increased too fast, and the population had not increased fast enough. (Hear, hear.) Three years ago, Mr. G. H. Reid had been in office for five years, during which he governed the country well on an amount not exceeding £9,700,000 annually. (Applause.) They were just as well off then as now. There was just as much work, and wages were as high. (Applause.) The present Government had a revenue of £12,500,000 a year, and had not produced greater happiness or prosperity than Mr. Reid. After spending £3,000,000 a year more than Mr. Reid, the present Government was face to face with a growing deficiency. The people were called upon to pay additional taxes from their pockets, thus preventing them from the opportunity of using their money in the employment of labour. They could not tax people to prosperity, neither could they spend money to prosperity. The Government was getting deeper in the mire, and the present system of Ministerial government, he said, was rotten to the core. (Applause.) The minority ruled in New South Wales, and this was a travesty on responsible government. (Hear, hear.) The solidarity labour party, he said, was the only one well organised, and its organisation entitled it to whip the other party. They should practise economy, and stop all leakages, and they could not stop the extravagance unless by radical reform. (Applause.) They must not simply lop off the bud and the flower, but must come down to the root. (Applause.) Reduction of members to a margin of safety must be brought about. If they diminished the number of beggars they would have more for themselves. (Laughter.) There were 125 beggars for money, and if they could not get rid of all they should get rid of what they could with safety. (Applause.) A present reduction of one-third he considered sufficient, and if a greater reduction was thought necessary later on they could still further reduce. The remedy was to disassociate the public works from the Parliament. Roads and bridges were municipal work, and should be taken from Parliament. (Hear, hear.) Associated with the reduction of members they must have a system of municipal or local government, with a simple system for the country. This would remove the most reckless expenditure that ever existed. The next Parliament, Mr. Carruthers said, must be a Reform Parliament, and must be elected absolutely and solely for the purpose of passing into law the simple measures such as reduction of members, municipal government, and local government. The Parliament should exist for one session only to enunciate the reforms, and he pledged his word that they would make room for that better state of affairs that he had referred to. (Applause.)

Messrs. J. A. Hogue, D. Storey, T. Jessep, and J. G. Carroll, Ms.L.A. also briefly addressed the meeting. The motion was carried.

The proceedings closed with a vote of thanks to the Mayor for presiding.

ORGANISING THE LABOUR VOTE.

MR. KELLY, M.L.A., ON THE LIBERAL MANIFESTO.

The Phillip Division branch of the Political Labour League held an open-air meeting last night at the Connell Castle Hotel, Regent-street. Mr. M. Kelly (president) occupied the chair, and there were between 200 and 300 people present. It had been announced by advertisement that "Messrs. Nielsen, Scobie, and Kelly, Ms.L.A., will answer Mr. Mugglestone," but Mr. Kelly was the only speaker who referred to Mr. Mugglestone, and then only in a casual manner. The secretary, Mr. L. Walters, subsequently stated that Mr. Nielsen had intended replying at length to Mr. Mugglestone's statements, but was prevented from doing so by illness. The different speakers each received a good hearing.

Mr. J. M'Neill, M.L.A., in a brief address recapitulated the work of the labour party in Parliament.

Mr. A. Kelly, M.L.A., said that he had attended to assist in the organisation of the labour forces of the electorate, and with the hope of adding one more member to the labour party at the next general election. Referring to Mr. Carruthers' manifesto, he stated that the labour party had always advocated, and would still advocate, support for concessions. The policy had been carried out to the very letter by the labour party, and notwithstanding the opposition that might be levelled against the party by the metropolitan press they would find when the time came that the workers were not going to be hoodwinked by the press or by Mr. Carruthers."

A voice: "Tell us about Mugglestone." (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Kelly: He is beneath my notice. I am not going to dignify Mugglestone. (Dissent.)

The voice: I thought you were going to reply to him to-night?

Mr. Kelly: Well, if you wish to throw me off the track I will tell you this. Is it not a fact that if the labour party had not organised the Clickers' Union Mugglestone would not have had the position he holds? That is all I wish to say on that matter. Continuing, Mr. Kelly said that Mr. Carruthers, in his manifesto, advocated rigid economy, but he drew the line at the Civil servants. ("Hear, hear. That's the point.") The Civil servants were not to suffer, but the Opposition leader would screw down the workers. Mr. Carruthers at Kiama told the people that as the caucus was constituted the people did not get their individual liberty. He repudiated that statement, and challenged Mr. Carruthers to deny that his party did not carry out the same tactics. It was untrue for the Opposition leader to repeat that in the Friedman case the Government was saved by one vote. At no time during the debate were there more than eight labour supporters in favour of the censure motion, so that would indicate the majority there was in the labour party supporting the Government. Let him tell them that there was no unanimity in the two so-called reform parties, and they were cutting one another's throats already. He believed that Mr. Waddell's policy as outlined at Cowra was good. Members of Parliament should pay their share in the retrenchment foreshadowed. The savings would be the means of giving employment to a large number of people. He would warn Mr. Waddell, however, not to be too hasty in amending the Old-Age Pensions Act. He was not in favour of reduction of members. Where did the £6 per week come in in the case of a member who represented electorates like, say, Wilcannia or Grenfell? After labour members had attended to their correspondence, fed their families, and met the many demands made upon them, he did not think they had 2s per week to spare. He knew one labour member who from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. had almost the tips of his fingers worn off in answering correspondence on the typewriter. (Laughter.)

Mr. Scobie, M.L.A., also spoke. He stated that he was opposed to reduction of members. His electorate was as large in area as Ireland, and it took him five days to get there.

On the motion of Mr. L. Walters, seconded by Mr. Glynn, a vote of thanks to the speakers was carried by acclamation.

CABINET MEETING.

An informal meeting of the Cabinet was held yesterday morning when the Ministers present were Sir John See (Premier), Mr. Waddell (Treasurer), Mr. Wise (Attorney-General), Mr. Crick (Minister for Lands), Mr. Perry (Minister for Education), and Mr. Kidd (Minister for Mines and Agriculture). Though Ministers were extremely reticent as to their deliberations, it is understood that they were called together in connection with the manifesto of the Liberal and Reform Association published in yesterday's issue of the "Herald."

MR. ASHTON'S CRITICISMS.

The Treasurer remarked yesterday to a "Herald" representative that in his speech at Kiama Mr. Ashton, M.L.A., expressed a doubt as to the ability of the Government to borrow money at a reasonable rate of interest. Mr. Waddell asserted that the Government of New South Wales was not in a worse position than the Governments of any of the other States in regard to ability to borrow money on reasonable terms. He maintained that New South Wales was able to borrow at the present time just as cheaply as any Government in Australasia.

Mr. Ashton, M.L.A., writes:—"Referring to Mr. Waddell's remarks about my reported statements as to the condition of the finances, I had no desire whatever to convey the impression that the Lyne-See-Governments were responsible for the appropriation of the whole of the £12,000,000 trust moneys of which the Government is the custodian. What I did say was that at the end of last January every penny of those trust moneys had been used, and that had it not been that the Government could lay hands on those moneys, the loan account could not have been allowed to go about four and a half millions to the bad, and the consolidated revenue nearly a million and a quarter. I also notice that I was reported as saying that there was 'now' £11,000 less than nothing in the Treasury. What I did say was that that was the position of affairs at the end of January, but that I was glad to say the position had been since relieved by the receipt of moneys from various sources. I added that at a time when not a penny of the trust funds was held in reserve I abstained, as a matter of public duty, from referring to the fact. Now that the position was less acute I thought it a duty to draw attention to it in order to warn the Government against the danger of a recurrence of such a state of things."

LIBERAL AND REFORM PARTY.

The hon. secretaries of the Liberal and Reform party, at a meeting held yesterday afternoon (Mr. J. H. Carruthers presiding), reported a successful meeting and the inauguration of a branch at Kiama, where Messrs. Carruthers and Ashton, Ms.L.A., were well received. Branches were also formed at Petersham and Willoughby. Many communications were received from country centres urging the establishment of branches. Preliminary steps are being taken locally to organise at Windsor, where a meeting has already been held; at Waverley and Paddington meetings have been arranged, as also at Mosman, Robertson, Kangaroo Valley, Marrickville, St. Peters, Darlington, North Sydney, Willoughby, Kogarah, Auburn, Goulburn, Crookwell, Cooma, Flinders Division, Rookwood, Canterbury, Liverpool, Beecroft, Ryde, Granville, Mudgee, Cowra. The manifesto issued was reported to have been received with general approval. It was also reported that meetings had been held at North Balmain, addressed by Messrs. Carruthers, Ashton, Law, and J. P. Gray; at Bankstown, by Messrs. Mackenzie and J. C. L. Fitzpatrick; at Petersham, by Messrs. J. J. Cohen, and B. James. Correspondence was read from Ballina, urging that a candidate be run by the party; from Windsor, asking for speakers; from Forbes, offering encouragement to the party; from East Hills and Beecroft, to the same effect. It was arranged that weekly meetings should be held for the discussion of State questions, such as local government, Upper House reform, regulation of the liquor traffic, &c. Arrangements were made for the visit to a large number of country centres for organisation purposes.

BOOT-CLICKERS AND THE LABOUR PARTY.

A special meeting of the Boot-clickers' Association was held last evening to deal with the question of the attitude of the association towards the Government and the labour party. The meeting, which had been convened in response to a requisition signed by a number of the members, was presided over by the president, Mr. W. Mugglestone. There was a good attendance. A motion was submitted by Mr. W. Mason to the effect that the members of the Clickers' Association desired to record their confidence in the present Government and the labour party. Mr. Hutchenson seconded the resolution. The president pointed out that the meeting had not been convened officially, and was not sufficiently representative of the Clickers' Association. He therefore declined to put the resolution and declared the meeting closed.

A private meeting was afterwards held, Mr. Jordan, vice-president, presided. To this gathering the resolution of confidence in the Government and labour party was again submitted. Attention having been called to the presence of the press a motion was carried compelling the reporters to withdraw. The meeting shortly after broke up in disorder.

MINISTER FOR WORKS AT KEMPSEY.

KEMPSEY, Monday.

On Saturday evening the Minister for Works, accompanied by Messrs. G. M'Laurin and G. S. Briner, Ms.L.A., were entertained here at a banquet. In replying to the toast of his health Mr. O'Sullivan strongly attacked the Sydney press. A very large amount of the money expended by the Government had been used for redeeming old loans borrowed by previous Governments, and no less a sum than eight millions sterling had been spent on Rocks and Harbour resumptions and a number of other works. Those properties were paying 4½ per cent. interest, while the Government got the money for 3½ per cent. They would get their money back twice within 15 years. When critics spoke of him spending £17,000,000 they knew they were telling deliberate lies. During the evening Mr O'Sullivan sang with great pathos "The Old Folks at Home," and also gave a recitation. Several deputations were received this morning, but Mr. O'Sullivan, owing to the present low state of the Treasury, said he could make no definite promises. The Minister and party will leave by steamer Baden-Powell to-morrow for Sydney.

SMITHTOWN, Monday.

The Minister for Works and a Parliamentary party were met on their arrival at the wharf, and with a large number of residents adjourned to M'Ateer's Hotel, where a banquet was held, Mr. J. O'Neill being in the chair. The party subsequently left for the New Entrance.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The likelihood of interference from the central council of the People's Reform League with the selection of candidates for Parliament by local branches seems to be agitating the public mind. It has arisen through the selection by Tamworth for their candidate of Mr. John Garland, the senior vice-president of the league, upon the retirement of Mr. Nankervis. But with the selection of the one gentleman or the retiring of the other the central council had nothing whatever to do. The only step it took in the matter was to energetically work to get the local selection returned. And, personally, at Tamworth, I made it clear to those I saw that the central council would have taken the same interest in getting Mr. Nankervis returned, had he not retired, that it did to secure the return of Mr. Garland.

The constitution has made careful provisions to prevent friction and determine disputes between branches or electors or between branches and electors under the heading of advisory boards; which advisory boards will consist of the presidents of the different branches in an electorate, and each advisory board will have power to nominate a member for the central council.

The difficulty the meeting at Burwood amicably but firmly settled secured to Burwood absolute protection against any interference in the selection of a candidate from any members of the league not on the Burwood electoral roll; and whilst willing to admit as members any electors in the State, it would only permit electors of Burwood to hold office in the branch. The Burwood precedent will doubtless be followed by branches throughout the State.

The council of the People's Reform League will not bring any pressure to bear upon the local selection. I am, &c., JOHN JACKSON, Hon. Sec.

Burwood Branch of the People's Reform League.

CASUALTIES AND FATALITIES.

FIRE AT ROCKDALE.

Yesterday afternoon a fire broke out in a three-roomed weatherboard cottage situated in West Botany-street, Rockdale. The dwelling, which was totally destroyed, including the contents, was occupied by a Chinaman named Lee Yan. The premises were owned by Mr. James Quirk and were uninsured. The Rockdale and Kogarah fire brigades were in attendance.

SHOCKING RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

A FIREMAN'S DEATH.

NYNGAN, Monday.

Arthur Neal, a fireman on the railway, was run over and killed by a train near Wilga tank on the 26th instant. The evidence at the coroner's inquiry to-day disclosed that a tube on the engine burst and scalded deceased on the legs. He went to the back of the train to show a signal light, and the driver went on to Girilambone to get assistance. Subsequently the driver found the body of deceased, with the trunk lying outside the rails and the legs between them completely severed. Deceased was married, and leaves five children residing at Dubbo. The jury found that deceased died from injuries received by being run over by a train, but that there was no evidence to show how he got on the line. No blame was attached to anyone.

A SHOOTING ACCIDENT.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

A young man named John Davis, of Cross-street, Carlton, met with a dangerous accident at Lilydale this forenoon. He was out shooting when a smart shower of rain came on, driving him to shelter under a clump of bushes. The trigger of the cocked weapon he was carrying seems to have caught in some of the twigs, causing an explosion of the charge, which entered his wrist. The injured man was taken to the Melbourne Hospital for treatment.

FATAL FALL DOWN A SHAFT.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

A young man named William Able was found today in an unconscious condition at the bottom of a prospecting shaft at Chiltern, down which he had fallen. His skull was fractured by the fall, and death took place three hours later.

COBAR, Monday.

The body of F. Mitchell, a miner, who was accidentally killed on Friday, was taken to Oberon to-day.

FORBES, Monday.

Whilst Henry Connell, an old resident, was driving from Dawsonville to Forbes, his horse became frightened and threw him. Connell, who was severely injured, is progressing favourably.

PEAK HILL, Monday.

A young woman named Lizzie Hackett was severely burned on Sunday night. She was standing at the fire when her clothes caught and she rushed into the street. Some time elapsed before assistance was rendered.

COUNTRY NEWS.

FIRES.

ARMIDALE, Monday.

C. Dunkin's bakehouse, together with a stock of flour and batch of 300 loaves, was destroyed by fire last night.

MERRYLANDS, Monday.

Mr. Munro's boiling-down premises were destroyed by fire early yesterday. A copper of tallow boiled over on to the fire.

MUDGEE, Monday.

On Friday night the residence of Mr. F. Muller, Eurunderee, was destroyed by fire. The family were absent, and nothing was saved.

ADRIFT ON LAKE ILLAWARRA.

DAPTO, Monday.

Messrs. J. O'Connell, G. Lucas, and Ted Daley had a trying experience on Lake Illawarra last night. A gale of wind carried the sail of their boat away, and after being in a perilous plight for a few hours their craft was driven to Goat Island. There they spent the night and part of to-day, being unable to get back in the face of the weather. Search parties were just about to be organised at midday, when the news of the crew's safety arrived.

RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS AT COOMA.

COOMA, Monday.

The Railway Commissioners (Messrs. Oliver, Fehon, and Kirkcaldie) paid a hurried visit of inspection to the Cooma railway station this afternoon. A deputation of stock agents, comprising Messrs. D. Pearson, J. Montague, J. Sellar, and J. Howell, waited upon the Commissioners, pointing out the urgent necessity for erecting a shelter shed, a tank, and sanitary arrangements, and the establishment of a telephone service between the trucking yards and the railway station. The Commissioners acceded to each request, and the work will be carried out without delay.

THE CHURCHES.

BOURKE, Monday.

Sir Harry Rawson and party attended the Church of England last night. The Bishop of Bathurst preached; Archdeacon Geer conducted the service.

GERMANTON, Monday.

The total proceeds of the Easter sports and concert in aid of the Church of England parochial fund amounted to about £80.

GLEN INNES, Monday.

The Rev. F. T. Reynolds (Anglican) preached farewell sermons yesterday to good congregations. He leaves to-night for Ballarat.

NARRABRI, Monday.

The Rev. Canon King, after a sojourn of 12 months at Ballarat, Victoria, returned to take charge of St. Cyprian's last Saturday.

PAMBULA, Monday.

The Church of England chrysanthemum show was held on Friday and Saturday, and was most successful. The chief prizetakers were Mrs. Haywood, Miss Cusack, and Miss Murphy. The proceeds totalled about £25.

BATHURST, Monday.

At the civil sitting of the Circuit Court to-day Henry Shirlaw, administrator of the estate of the late Hugh Shirlaw, brought an action against his brother, David Shirlaw, to eject him from 640 acres of swamp land, the property of his late father, and which defendant claimed as being given him by his father, and that he had lived on the land 20 years with undisturbed possession. The complainant stated his father died without making a will, and that he had documentary possession of the land. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff, execution to be issued within three months. Mr. Davis appeared for defendant, and Mr. Boyce for plaintiff.

In the Divorce Court, before Mr. Justice Pring, Thomas Henry Martin sought a dissolution of marriage from Martha Martin. William Jones was joined as co-respondent. His Honor ruled that the issues were proved, and he granted the necessary order. The respondent did not appear.

BEGA, Monday.

About £5 10s in silver was stolen last night from the office of Mr. William Rixon, auctioneer.

BRUSHGROVE, Monday.

The new School of Arts now in course of erection will be opened by the Governor.

BROKEN HILL, Monday.

At the Proprietary diamond drill, which has been boring eastward on the 800ft. level from the narrow end of the drive, entered the hanging wall of what is known as the eastern lode. So far the core shows 20ft. of ordinary value sulphides, with no footwall as yet.

Stephen's Creek was running slowly this morning. Rain must have fallen somewhere on the catchment area, as only 6 points were registered at the pumping station. The weather is more settled and warmer locally.

HARDEN, Monday.

A lecture entitled "A Voyage Through the Universe" was given on Saturday by Mr. C. L. Wragge.

LISMORE, Monday.

At the sale of Mr. L. Hayden's dairy cattle at Goolmangar last Friday the cows realised up to £20. The milking herd would average nearly £11.

MORUYA, Monday.

The proceeds from the chrysanthemum show totalled £46.

MUDGEE, Monday.

The cattle stolen from the Corporation Saleyards on Wednesday night were recovered this morning by Constable Travers at Spring Flat. They had been turned adrift.

NARRABRI, Monday.

A railway engine now runs as far as Burren Junction on the Walgett line 30 miles beyond Wee Waa.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

The reservoir at the local waterworks catchment has been filled to overflowing by the recent rains, and a sufficient supply is now held to meet requirements till next summer.

NEWCASTLE.

THE RACECOURSE EPISODE.

NEWCASTLE, Monday.

At the Newcastle Police Court to-day, before Mr. Love, S.M., George Lucas, aged 16, groom, appeared on remand charged with having been found on the enclosed grounds of the Newcastle Jockey Club, Limited, for an unlawful purpose on April 20. Mr. Windeyer appeared for the club, and Mr. J. W. Abigail for the accused. As the police had no evidence to offer the case was dismissed, no costs being allowed. Lucas was then charged with having, on or about April 20, at Newcastle, unlawfully conspired with other persons to cheat and defraud the Newcastle Jockey Club, Limited, of the sum of £20, the money of the said Jockey Club. An application for a remand to Friday next was granted, bail being allowed the accused in two sureties of £50 each.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The steamer Sydney cleared at the Customs to-day for Fremantle via Sydney and ports with 450 tons of coal, 30 cases biscuits, and 5 bales millet; the steamer Bergedorf, for Hamburg, via Sydney, with 6000 tons of Messrs. J. and A. Brown's coal and Lambton coal; and the steamer Wakatipu, for Launceston, via Sydney, with 700 tons of coal.

The steamer Omapere, which arrived here on Saturday from New Zealand, is another purchase of the Eastern firm which bought the Janet Nicol, Rotorua, and Waihora. The Omapere loads coal for Penang.

CONSULAR INQUIRY.

A Consular inquiry was held on board the French barque Ernest Siegfried to-day by Mr. M. Nettement, State Consul for France, in regard to the case of the sailor accused of causing the death of a shipmate on the high seas. As a result of the inquiry the accused will be sent to Noumea to be dealt with by the French authorities.

WARATAH COUNCIL AND THE GAS COMPANY.

At to-night's meeting of the Waratah Municipal Council a communication was received from the directors of the Newcastle Gas Company, in reply to the suggestion of the council that a conference should be held with a view of arriving at a settlement of the friction caused by the company extending its mains in the municipality in opposition to the municipal gasworks. The council having proposed that it should take over the mains of the company now laid in the borough at a valuation, the directors in their letter asked for further information. The council now decided to withdraw its proposal for a conference and to give the company notice that it objected to the company laying its mains in the municipality or interfering with the streets. The Mayor (Alderman Bave) gave notice of a motion to the effect that the Newcastle Gas Company should be invited to consider the question of the council resuming its mains within the borough in accordance with the provisions of the Newcastle Gas Company's Act.

It is stated on authority that the new cranes on the inner basin will be handed over by the Works Department to the Railway Commissioners on the 30th instant, and that they will be available for loading coal on the following morning.

All the collieries, with two or three exceptions, practically worked full time for the fortnight ended on Saturday. Trade should continue brisk, as orders are stated to be plentiful, and the harbour is full of ships.

ABOLITION OF A LABOUR COLONY.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The "Government Gazette" this week will contain a formal notice of the abolition of the Leongatha Labour Colony. At last meeting of the Executive Council the Minister for Lands passed an order in Council revoking the one establishing the colony. The buildings and about 100 acres of land will be reserved for the benefit of those men at present on the colony until the Cabinet has determined its policy in the matter of labour settlements. The remainder of the land will be made available for selection, and departmental surveyors are busy preparing plans.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Chemists refund the money if it fails to cure. 1s 1½d; of all Chemists and Wholesale Houses.—Advt.

VICTORIA.

A YOUNG GIRL MISSING.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The Rev. Mr. Blackwell, of Punt-road, Richmond, reported to the police that his daughter, aged 21, was missing from her home since midday yesterday. His anxiety has been increased by the discovery of her hat on the bank of the Yarra near Twickenham.

THE DRUIDS' GALA ART UNION.

Drawing in connection with the Druids' Gala Art Union took place to-night. The chief prizes were secured by the holders of tickets numbered as follows:—First, 75,149; second, 27,550; third, 54,193; fourth, 102,984; fifth, 130,357; and sixth, 13,860.

THE JAPANESE WARSHIPS.

OFFICERS ENTERTAINED AT PERTH.

SOME CORDIAL SPEECHES.

PERTH, Monday.

Headed by their band the officers and 600 men of the Japanese war vessels paraded the city on Saturday, and were cordially received by vast crowds of onlookers. At the Association Ground a number of them gave interesting exhibitions of wrestling, two-handed fencing, and sword drill. The band played English and Scottish airs. The men were entertained at the Town Hall in the evening. The band serenaded the Japanese consul. Admiral Kammura and some of his officers are visiting the goldfields. On his return to-day the Admiral was officially received by the Government and by Perth and Fremantle Town Councils. A garden party will be given at Government House to-morrow in honour of the visitors. Uniformed Japs are everywhere to be met about the city, many wearing miniature Union Jacks.

Admiral Kammura and his officers were officially received at the Town Hall to-day by the Mayor and councillors of the city of Perth. In addition to the civic authority there were also present his Excellency the Governor, Ministers of the Crown, the Bishop of Perth, military officers, and the heads of churches, and a large and representative gathering of citizens.

The toasts of "The King" and "The Mikado" were repeated at the request of the Admiral.

The Mayor, in proposing the toast of "The Admiral and his Officers," paid special tribute to the exemplary behaviour of the men on board the Japanese warships. They had visited the port and the city in hundreds, and their conduct and demeanour were without exception irreproachable. They had been sober, orderly, and gentlemanly.

The Admiral, in responding, thanked the Mayor and the citizens of Perth, and the people of the West generally, for their great kindness and hospitality. He hoped the friendly relations between the allied nations would long continue.

A visit was subsequently made to the fire station, where an exhibition was given by the metropolitan fire brigade. Later in the day the Admiral and his officers were the guests of the Parliament, by whom they were entertained at a second luncheon. In response to the toast of "The Admiral and his Officers" Admiral Kammura called on his officers to rise, and then, with striking precision, all shouted three times "Van zar," meaning ten thousand years of good luck.

TYPHOID FEVER.

THE TAMWORTH OUTBREAK.

TAMWORTH, Monday.

Typhoid fever is spreading in Tamworth and West Tamworth, the total number of cases now being 38. Seven have been reported since Friday. The public express disapproval with the Board of Health in not taking some decisive action with regard to the new sanitary system. At the instance of the Mayor, investigations are now being made regarding the sanitation of the borough. The report from the King Ward of West Tamworth discloses an unsatisfactory state of things, no less than 30 dwellings having inmates suffering from typhoid, and in some cases more than one patient in a house.

BEGA, Monday.

There are four cases of typhoid fever in the local hospital.

FORBES, Monday.

An officer of the Board of Health arrived to-day to investigate the cause of the typhoid epidemic.

WELLINGTON, Monday.

Owing to the local hospital at present having its accommodation overtaxed, Mr. Haynes was interviewed on Saturday concerning typhoid cases, and he promised immediately on his return to Sydney to make representations with a view to having a special military marquee despatched without delay.

BRITISH EMPIRE LEAGUE.

LECTURE BY MR. J. S. LARKE.

Mr. J. S. Larke, Commissioner for Canada, delivered an address on the Alaska boundary question at the School of Arts last night, under the auspices of the British Empire League of Australia. Mr. Bruce Smith, M.P., presided, and there was a large attendance. The lecturer reviewed briefly the rival settlements of France, Spain, Holland, and England in North America, and showed how at last the whole of the continent east of the Mississippi came under British rule. He gave a resume of the difficulties culminating in the War of Independence, and said that the affairs of the 13 colonies were so desperate at the close of the war that they were prepared to treat for peace on almost any terms. Unfortunately the British representative sent to Paris to meet the representatives of the colonies was weak, and was prepared to concede anything in the hope of securing the future goodwill of the colonies and the trade. Thus a large territory was given them which they had not the slightest hope of ever possessing. Mr. Larke showed how Russia, claiming Alaska and a narrow strip of coast bounded by the Pacific, entered into a treaty with Great Britain, defining the boundary of that coastal strip, which was to be 30 miles inland from the ocean. When the United States at a later date purchased Alaska and the coastal territory in question from Russia she could of course only acquire what Russia possessed. The United States, however, on taking possession, instead of recognising the 30 mile boundary from the ocean, claimed that the 30 miles should be a similar distance beyond the headwaters of the inlets. The possession of the waterways was used to obstruct British trade to the Klondyke goldfields, which were in Canadian territory. The restrictions were of a most pressing character, and resulted in 90 per cent. of the trade passing into the hands of the United States. Recently the United States Senate agreed to a commission being appointed, three members representing the United States, two Canada, and one Great Britain to consider the question. As the three American representatives were known to have expressed the strongest opinions against ceding a single foot of the territory in question, the lecturer did not anticipate any practical results from the commission. At the conclusion of his address Mr. Larke was accorded a vote of thanks.

CHURCH NEWS.

MISSION ZONE SUNDAY.

The Sydney Extension Committee of the Anglican Church at its last meeting, the Rev. F. J. Albery in the chair, decided to ask that Sunday, May 10, be recognised as "Mission Zone" Sunday instead of Sunday last. It was pointed out that a difficulty had arisen through last Sunday being so close to Easter. There was a prospect that on the day now fixed upon the needs of the poor and populous parishes would be brought before a large number of congregations.

ST. ANNE'S, RYDE.

The annual "Melanesian afternoon" was held in the rectory gardens on Saturday last. The sum realised from the fancy stall, refreshments, and gate money was subsequently augmented by the contents of a parishioners' missionary box, £2, in 160 three-penny bits. The Sydney committee was represented by Mrs. Hey Sharp and the Rev. H. Wallace Mort and others.

EMPLOYEES' PICNICS.

MESSRS. J. SANDY AND CO.

The annual picnic of the employees of Messrs. James Sandy and Co. was held on Saturday, at Lane's Gardens, Clontarf. The attendance numbered some 300, and amongst the visitors were Messrs. J. M. Sandy, T. Loveridge (president Master Builders' Association), Taylor, E. M. Mitchell and F. Geiger. The sports programme comprised foot and boat races, in which much interest centred. Dancing was also indulged in during the day, and amusements of other kinds were provided. A feature of the outing was a liberal distribution of toys to the children.

At 4 o'clock the company sat down to the banquet in the large pavilion. The chair was occupied by Mr. J. M. Sandy. After the usual loyal toasts had been honoured Mr. C. Benson submitted that of "The Firm," which was responded to by Mr. J. M. Sandy and Mr. Donald Cormack. "The Employees" was proposed by the chairman and replied to by Messrs. H. Freeman and F. Ladbury. The remaining toast of "The Ladies" was submitted by Mr. W. Lloyd.

MESSRS. TOOTH AND COMPANY.

The work of carrying out details of a picnic for the employees of such a large firm as Messrs. Tooth and Co. affords little time for the managing committee to enjoy themselves on picnic day. In order to repay the committee for their labours of providing enjoyment for their fellow-employees it has been the custom for years past to accord them an outing on a subsequent date. The return picnic was given on Saturday at Lincke's pleasure grounds, Sandringham. The picnickers left Redfern Station by the 10.10 train, and on arrival at the scene of festivities partook of a light luncheon. The afternoon was spent in carrying out a programme of sports. In the evening the company assembled in the main dining-room of the hotel, where a banquet had been prepared by Mr. Lincke. The president of the committee, Mr. J. Talbot, occupied the chair. Several toasts were honoured, including that of "Mr. John Blair," vice-president, who was presented with a smoker's companion. Mr. Blair responded. The health of Mr. Finn, secretary, was also honoured and duly responded to. A number of musical items were rendered.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE EDWARD LLOYD CONCERTS.

The Town Hall was crowded last night, the attendance being of that overflowing character in which the choir-seats and those at the side of the platform on the ground floor were equally well filled with the more favoured portions of the vast chamber. In spite of a little contretemps due to a lost key, whereby the gates of music, so far as that term can be applied to the 'cello, were not unlocked until late in the evening, the same spirit of cordiality and smooth management prevailed as on previous occasions. All the singers were in excellent voice, and encores were innumerable.

Mr. Edward Lloyd, whose voice and style are now generally familiar, sang his first oratorio number, choosing "Be Thou Faithful Unto Death" as one of the airs best suited for interpretation without orchestral accompaniment. This aria from the "St. Paul" is one of many touching numbers in which the genius of Mendelssohn for the expression of deep devotional sentiment is exhibited. The great tenor delivered the heavenly promise with the purity of voice for which he is noted, and in the beautiful closing phrase his style was especially gracious and convincing. As encore Mr. Lloyd added "Because the World is Fair," a very charming love-song which will always be remembered here for the idyllic sentiment with which he sings it. Mr. Lloyd keeps the whole song in the one atmosphere, and never leaves it for the sake of vocal display, or in order to force the note of passion, or because a dozen different departures would possibly win a little more applause from the unthinking. It is a strange thing that the artist who sings for and to the connoisseurs is, in the end, the one who also becomes the idol of the crowd—provided he possesses a beautiful voice as well.

Later Mr. Lloyd sang two ballads composed for him by Arthur Sullivan—"The Distant Shore" and (as encore) "Sweethearts." The valse refrain of "Sweethearts" was "whistled by all the town" 22 years ago. Mr. Lloyd revivified the song by his distinction of manner, and then, accepting the double encore, responded with "The Soldier's Tear." The tenor made the great popular success of the evening, however, in "The Star of Bethlehem." He gave it with more vocal intensity than anything else, delivered the words with a perfection of clearness that was really extraordinary, and finally electrified the audience with the resonant beauty of the closing high G. It must be noted at this point that the timbre of this artist's voice is almost unique in the impression of "highness" it affords. His "G," which is really not exactly a high note for a pure tenor, has all the effect which in most other voices belongs to a high B flat. There was a furore of enthusiasm at this point, so Mr. Lloyd responded with "Tom Bowling." He was then recalled five or six times amidst loud cheers, but he did not wish to sing again, and as soon as the audience realised the fact the tumult ceased. The demonstration was very cordial and spontaneous.

Amongst the other artists Mr. W. A. Peterkin rather seemed to carry off the honours, as he was in great form, and in "Why Do the Nations" gave probably the best rendering of the Handelian air heard here for many years. No doubt the orchestral support, with its dramatic suggestion of the clash and din of battle, was missed, but the singer, who takes the air at the fastest time we ever heard, exhibited astonishing executive fluency, and thus sustained the dramatic animation of the music. A bass voice seldom possesses this accomplishment in the same degree, and to hear these intricate coloratura passages given with such smoothness and preservation of vocal quality was an education in itself. As encore Mr. Peterkin added "If Thou wert Blind," a fine but despairful number, by Noel Johnson. Later, the basso cantante again advanced upon his previous efforts here in "The King's Minstrel," to which "The Bedouin Love Song" and "Here's a Health unto His Majesty" were added as encore and double encore respectively.

Miss Emily Foxcroft sang Schumann's "Die Lotus Blume," and then Brahms' difficult "Meine Liebe is Grun" quite in the German vocal style—that is to say with reserved passion. The Brahms song, with its unexpected modulation, was intensely interesting. The mezzo-contralto, whose upper register was as velvety as ever, chose as encore a fine and little heard ballad by Balfe, "The Green Trees Whispered Low and Mild." Miss Jean Newman has not before sung as well at these concerts as in Massenet's "Sonnet Matinal," in which the sentiment of tender reproach was sweetly enforced. As encore the soprano added with playful effect Somervell's "Ballad of Kisses." The scheme of the verse was evidently inspired by Shelley's famous lines beginning "The Fountain Mingles with the River." Miss May Mukle played a felicitous composition by Popper ("Nocturne") with much art and refinement in the expression of the plaintive theme. Popper's familiar "Papillon" then fluttered to such good purpose that a third piece became necessary when the dark-browed 'cellist played admirably well Elgar's "Salut d' Amor." Herr Benno Scherek accompanied with skill.

Messrs. Williamson and Musgrove announce a matinee for to-morrow, at which Mr. Edward Lloyd will make his absolute farewell.

HERR PECHOTSCH'S CONCERT.

At his concert at the Centenary Hall this evening Herr Raimund Pechotsch will play Vieuxtemps' "Grand Concerto" (op. 31), Paganini's "Carnival of Venice," and, for the first time, the Third Suite by Franz Ries. Miss Zara Wolseat, a new mezzo-soprano, will make her debut and Miss Constance Brandon-Usher, Miss Maud Dalrymple, Dr. Maguire, and Messrs Lawrence Campbell and J. Edward Sykes will also assist.

SYDNEY COLLEGE OF MUSIC.

The annual distribution of the certificates and medals of the Sydney College of Music will be made at the Town Hall this evening by the Lord Mayor. Mr. Hector R. Maclean (warden) will address the audience. Mr. Ernest Truman will give an organ recital, and there will be a short concert programme by Messrs. Truman, Allpress, Alberti, Gordon Gooch, Mrs. F. Tierney, and Miss Cecilia Doherty.

RAILWAYS AND TRAMWAYS.

QUARTERLY REPORT.

RAILWAY DECREASE, £117,539.

TRAMWAY INCREASE, £26,912.

The Railway Commissioners issued yesterday their report for the quarter ended March 31 regarding the operations of the railways and tramways of this State. The report is as follows:—

RAILWAYS.

The gross earnings show a decrease of £117,539, and the expenditure a decrease of £1841.

Grain, flour, &c., shows a decrease of £91,088; hay, straw, and chaff, £14,269; live stock, £4785; and general merchandise, £871. Wool an increase of £5186; and minerals, £6627. Net decrease, £98,880.

Owing to Easter falling in April this year the coaching traffic shows a decrease in first-class passengers of £6451; second-class, £16,918; parcels, &c., an increase of £4820. Net decrease, £18,549.

The increased percentage of expenditure to earnings is mainly due to special concessions made in the carriage of starving stock and on fodder for starving stock, the extension of the eight-hour system to the running staff, and to an increase in the tonnage of goods, minerals, and live stock.

General merchandise shows an increase of 30,362 tons; wool, 2385 tons; live stock, 14,377 tons; coal and coke, 161,234 tons; and other minerals, 13,281 tons. Hay, straw, and chaff a decrease of 8816 tons; and grain, flour, &c., 16,169 tons. While therefore the net increase amounts to 46,915 tons, the decreased revenue from these sources is £98,990.

CONDITION OF THE LINES.

The permanent way and works generally have been efficiently maintained.

The reconstruction of Penrith viaduct is making good progress, and station buildings and bridges have been kept in good repair.

The grade improvements between Gresham and Blayney, on the Western line, and between Teralba and Awaba, on the North Coast line, have been completed and opened for traffic.

A new line of the pioneer class between Dubbo and Coonamble, a distance of 95 miles 63 chains, was completed by the construction branch, and opened for traffic on February 18.

TRAMWAYS.

The gross earnings show an increase of £26,912, and the expenditure, after providing about £6000 for the extension of the eight-hour system, an increase of £25,315. Altogether 6,518,292 additional passengers were carried.

The line East Esplanade, Manly, towards Curl Curl, a distance of 1 mile 23 chains, was completed by the construction branch, and opened for traffic on February 14.

STATE OF THE TRAFFIC.

Railways.	Q'rter ended March 31, 1902.	Q'rter ended March 31, 1903.
Miles open	2,980	3,138½
Revenue — Passenger, 1902, £385,795; 1903, £367,246. Merchandise, 1902, £547,765; 1903, £448,715	£933,560	£815,961
Expenditure	£508,691	£506,850
Train miles run	2,929,217	2,736,453
Earnings per train mile	6s 4½d	5s 11d
Expenditure per train mile	3s 5½d	3s 8½d
Percentage—Expenditure to earnings	54·49	62·12
Number of passengers	7,765,128	8,116,828
Tonnage of goods traffic	534,248	392,271
Tonnage of coal and coke	871,880	1,033,124
Tonnage of other minerals	80,040	93,321
Tonnage of live stock traffic	66,438	80,815
Tramways.		
Miles open	103¾	121½
Revenue	£172,877	£199,789
Expenditure	£131,672	£156,987
Tram miles run	2,244,851	3,095,377
Earnings per tram mile	1s 6½d	1s 1d
Expenditure per tram mile	1s 2d	10½d
Percentage—Expenditure to earnings	76·17	78·58
Number of passengers carried	28,624,112	35,142,404

STATEMENT BY THE TREASURER.

The Treasurer, Mr. T. Waddell, on being seen with regard to the report, stated that it showed the extent to which the drought had affected the country. In view of that unfortunate visitation, and the consequent shrinkage of revenue, it was impossible for the Government, when making the estimates of revenue for the current financial year, to foresee that the drought would keep up for another 12 months. In fact, the drought, in the opinion of Mr. Waddell, has not yet thoroughly broken up throughout the entire State, hence the railway revenue did not nearly approach his estimate. At the same time the expenditure had increased in consequence of the Railway Commissioners having to work the traffic under more costly conditions caused by the drought in the country districts. Mr. Waddell, however, thinks the country may now look forward most hopefully to a speedy termination of the drought in every portion of the State. This will doubtless have a good effect upon next year's harvest, but it cannot prove equally beneficial in the case of the wool clip, owing to the difficulty of replacing the losses in stock.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—April 27.

Moana, R.M.S., 3870 tons, Captain Carey, from Vancouver, via ports. Passengers—Mrs. J. Russell-French, Miss J. Russell-French, Miss Lily Aarons, Miss Edith Aarons, Miss Fraser, Miss M. Fraser, Miss Daley, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Cato, Mr. H. Russell French, Captain Wooley, Messrs. W. W. Clark, C. Kidd, George Smith, Rankin, E. Baker, C. Hill, Miss White, Mrs. J. Leyshon, Messrs. T. O'Connors, R. Walker, J. W. Smith, M. Smith, D. Tulloch, C. Cockburn, E. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin, Messrs. H. H. Martin, T. J. Martin, S. Fox, W. Collins, A. Davern, W. Rice, J. V. Creighton, and 2 Chinamen. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Amwatta, s., 2114 tons, Captain George Savage, from Melbourne. Passengers—Saloon 74, steerage 36. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

M. E. Watson, sh., 1670 tons, Captain Huggins, from Seattle. J. I. Falk and Co., Limited, agents.

Ouraka, s., 2637 tons, Captain Truscott, from Melbourne and Geelong. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Melbourne, s., 1112 tons, Captain H. E. Hill, from Devonport. Andrew Reid, agent.

Kakapo, s., 1498 tons, Captain J. Graham, from Devonport. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Cavanba, s., 573 tons, Captain Hunter, from Byron Bay. Passengers—16 in the saloon and 4 in the steerage. G. W. Nicoll, agent.

Burrawong, s., 391 tons, Captain M'Laughlin, from Macleay River. North Coast S. N. Company, agents.

Easby, s., 1489 tons, Captain J. Wallace, from Devonport. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.

Kittawa, s., 1247 tons, Captain W. Collins, from Devonport. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Kaisow, s., 3921 tons, Captain Rodway, from Glasgow, via Melbourne. Gilchrist, Watt, and Sanderson, Limited, agents.

Illawarra, s., 532 tons, Captain J. Garde, from Shoalhaven. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Kincumber, s., 100 tons, Captain A. Anderson, from Camden Haven. G. de Fraine, agent.

Thistle, s., 64 tons, Captain D. Callaghan, from Cape Hawke. F. Buckle, agent.

General Gordon, 164 tons, Captain A. S. Murray, from Hawkesbury River. Master, agent.

Electra, s., 395 tons, Captain C. Beach, from Manning River, with passengers. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.

Chingtu, s., 2269 tons, Captain J. M. D. Howie, from Hongkong, via ports. Passengers—Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Gunn, Mrs. Merson, Miss Taylor, R. Carr, Captain Edwards, G. S. Raitray, Mr. Merson, B. Robitijiki. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

Oonah, s., 1757 tons, Captain H. A. Morrisby, from Hobart, with passengers. F. W. Jackson, agent.

DEPARTURES.—April 27.

Time, s., for Newcastle.
Kamona, s., for Strahan, via Newcastle and Kembla.
Aola, sch., for Solomon Islands.
Tyrian, s., for Melbourne.
Alcestis, bq., for Adelaide, via Newcastle.
Hamda Isle, bqtne., for Auckland, via Newcastle.
Colac, s., for Townsville, via Newcastle.
Ouraka, s., for Melbourne, via Newcastle.
Easby, s., for Melbourne, via Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—April 28.

Barrabool, s., for Rockhampton and coast ports; Arawatta, s., for Queensland ports; Melbourne, s., for Tasmanian ports; Aramac, s., for Melbourne; Sydney, s., for Western Australia, via ports; Wakatipu, s., for Launceston, via ports; Coomonderry, s., for Nowra and Berry; Cavanba, s., for Tweed River, Trial Bay, and Byron Bay; Pyrmont, s., for Manning River; Kallatina, s., for Clarence River; Ramornie, s., for Richmond River; Electra, s., for Manning River; Rosedale, s., for Port Macquarie and Bellinger River; Narara, s., and Hawkesbury, s., for Hawkesbury River and Newport; Illawarra, s., for Shoalhaven ports; Woy Woy, s., for Gosford and Wyong; Commonwealth, s., for Cape Hawke and coast ports; Hastings, s., for Port Macquarie and Hastings River; Thistle, s., for Cape Hawke; Newcastle Company's steamer for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—April 27.

Ariel, bq., 820 tons, Captain Woodfield, for Brisbane, with through cargo.

Eliza Davies, ketch, 61 tons, Captain A. M'Leod, for Melbourne, with through cargo.

Colac, s., 1460 tons, Captain D. P. Davies, for Townsville, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Ouraka, s., 2637 tons, Captain T. Truscott, for Melbourne, via Newcastle, in ballast.

Easby, s., 1489 tons, Captain W. Wallace, for Melbourne, via Newcastle, with through cargo.

COASTERS OUTWARD.—April 27.

Betsy, ktch., for Lake Macquarie; Hawkesbury, s., for Hawkesbury River; Young Jack, ktch., for Newcastle.

IMPORTS.—April 27.

Moana, R.M.S., from Vancouver, via ports: 61 cases books and shoes, 14 bales cottons, 1907 sacks wheat, 15 cases foods, 6 cases machinery, 172 cases paper, 5463 sacks flour, 6 cases I.R. goods, 6 cases sewing machines, 50 cases cheese, 491 sacks malted oats, 25 cases salmon, 1000 sacks corn, 180 boxes fish, 300000ft. lumber, 11 cases and 32 bunches bananas. For Hobart: 150 cases salmon. For Melbourne: 238 cases paper, 22 cases electroplate ware, 12 cases meats. For New Zealand: 15 cases boots and shoes, 37 cases cottons, 48 cases paper, 2 barrels coffee.

Ramornie, s., from Richmond River: 242 bags maize, 11 cases butter, 9 bags bones, 22 bags oysters, 32 cases eggs, 8 cases bacon, 2 cases fish, 3 casks tallow, 1 coop poultry, 2 horses, 73 hides, 6 bags hides, 801 boxes butter, 10,764ft. pine, 2 pigs, 7 baskets samples, 35 bags beans, 1 dog, 5 bales millet, 11 bundles skins, 42 cases honey, 1505ft. boxwood, 433 sleepers.

Burrawong, s., from Macleay River: 1735 bags maize, 6 bags bones, 12 tins lard, 7 bundles skins, 18 calves, 2 cows, 17 cases eggs, 7 cases fish, 8 coops 1 box poultry, 17 hides, 19 bags hides, 10 sample cases, 290 boxes butter, 108 pigs, 20 sundries.

Easby, s., from Devonport: 7108 bags potatoes, 1577 bags turnips, 3839 bags chaff, 265 bags oats, 128 cases cheese, 30 bags peas, and cargo for Newcastle.

Ouraka, s., from Geelong: 244 bags onions, 710 bags chaff, and cargo for Northern ports.

Arawatta, s., from Melbourne: 2104 cases fruit, 785 bags onions, 200 bags maize, 130 bags peas and beans, 400 bags white lead, 1024 bags ore, 547 bales chaff, 420 bags rice, 1536 bags sugar, 97 bags oats, 100 bags barley, 200 bags malt, 80 cases drugs, 47 cases confectionery, 50 bags and crates vegetables, 295 cases beer, 76 cases cheese, 8 bags bacon, 26 cases stationery, 50 cases butter, 80 cases honey, 250 packages oilmen's stores, 15 cases tea, 5 plates, 434 bars, 13 bundles iron and steel, 4 cases shoes, 10 boxes nails, 21 cases sewing-machines, 10 casks eggs, 10 bales skins, 11 casks brandy, 12 cases machinery.

M. E. Watson, sh., from Seattle: 28,250 sacks (2323 tons) of flour.

Kittawa, s., from Devonport: 6730 sacks potatoes, 584 sacks swedes, 3227 sacks chaff, 350 sacks turnips, 183 sacks oats, 2341 bags ore. For Newcastle: 900 sacks potatoes, 98 sacks turnips. For Cairns: 22 sacks potatoes.

Kakapo, s., from Devonport: 100 bars Mount Lyell copper, 5192 sacks potatoes, 476 sacks oats, 7258 sacks chaff, 264 sacks turnips, 256 sacks wheat, 20 sacks linseed, 15 sacks peas, 11 sacks carrots, 50 bundles straw. For Newcastle: 1221 sacks potatoes, 300 sacks oats, 148 sacks turnips, 71 sacks peas; and for transhipment 1173 sacks potatoes.

Barrabool, s., from Brisbane: 32 cases jam, 182 cases pines, 16 quarter-cases custard apples, 20 cases oranges, 26 bales wool, 15 bags hides, 17 crates tins, 12 bundles boards, 18 cases broken glass, and sundries.

Cavanba, s., from Byron Bay: 30 pine logs, 1050 boxes butter, 100 bags maize, 176 hides, 6 bags hides, 2 casks tallow, 20 casks lard, and sundries.

Oonah, s., from Hobart: 12,841 cases 4463 half-cases fruit, 406 cases evaporated fruit, 434 cases pulp, 835 cases jam, 164 cases desserts, 150 bales hops, 51 hogsheads ale, 100 sacks peas, 250 sacks oats, 688 sacks bran, 354 sacks chaff, 16 cases fish, 25 casks tallow.

Electra, s., from Manning River: 335 bags maize, 12 bags oysters, 10 bags pumpkins, 14 bags copper, 1 bale skins, 24 cases eggs, 6 cases fruit, 6 cases honey, 11 cases fish, 3 coops poultry, 7 hides, 84 boxes butter, 17,000ft. hardwood, 34 pigs, and sundries.

Custom-house.—Entered outwards: April 27, Barrabool, s., for Brisbane; Fiona, s., for Fiji; Ouraka, s., for Melbourne, via Newcastle.

The sh. Macquarie, now in Mosman's Bay, will to-day be taken to Woolwich Dock for overhaul.

The steamer Kaisow was yesterday berthed at the Central Wharf.

The bq. Abbey Palmer was yesterday removed from Garden Island to Johnson's Bay.

The Changsha left Thursday Island en route to Hongkong yesterday morning.

MOVEMENTS OF MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Oriental, from London, arrived at Adelaide at 3.50 p.m. yesterday, and subsequently left for Melbourne. She leaves Melbourne on Wednesday, and will arrive in Sydney early on Saturday morning.

The R.M.S. Rome was due at Colombo on Sunday, and should be at Fremantle on May 7, Adelaide 11th, Melbourne 13th, and Sydney 16th.

The R.M.S. Arcadia is expected at Port Said to-day, and Aden May 4, Colombo 10th, Fremantle about 21st, and Sydney May 30.

The R.M.S. China was expected to leave Fremantle yesterday, and will leave Colombo on May 8, arriving at Aden on the 14th, Port Said 19th, Marseilles 24th, and London 30th.

The R.M.S. Victoria should be at Aden on the 30th instant, and Port Said May 5, Marseilles 10th, and London 16th.

The R.M.S. Australia was due at Marseilles on Sunday, and will reach London on May 3.

The R.M.S. Oruba, from Sydney, bound to London, arrived at Melbourne from Hobart at 7.40 a.m. yesterday.

The R.M.S. Orotava, which arrived at Sydney from London on Friday last and anchored in Neutral Bay, will be berthed at the company's wharf, Circular Quay, to-day.

The R.M.S. Moana, from Vancouver, via ports, arrived at Sydney at noon yesterday, and berthed at the Quay.

The R.M.S. Ventura arrived from San Francisco on 24th instant. She sails again for San Francisco, via Auckland, Pago Pago, Fanning Island, and Honolulu on May 4.

The R.M.S. Sierra sailed from San Francisco for Sydney, via ports, on 23rd instant.

The R.M.S. Sonoma, which sailed hence on 13th instant for San Francisco, is due at destination on May 4.

ARRIVAL OF THE R.M.S. MOANA.—A SMART PASSAGE.

The R.M.S. Moana, commanded by Captain Carey, arrived at Sydney at noon yesterday, after an exceptionally smart run of a little over 22 days, including all stops, from Vancouver, B.C., and berthed at the Circular Quay. She left Vancouver on April 4 at 3.15 p.m. (27 hours late), and arrived at Victoria the same day at 9.20 p.m. The voyage was resumed one hour later, and the pilot was discharged at 10.38 p.m. Honolulu was reached on April 11 at 5.35 p.m., and the Moana sailed again the same day at 10.45 p.m., arriving at Suva, Fiji, on the 20th, at 8.45 p.m. She cast off again next morning at 9.15, and picked up the pilot at Moreton Bay on the 25th instant at 10.25 a.m. The Pinkenba Wharf was reached at 5 p.m. The Moana left Brisbane on Sunday morning at 5.55, and dropped the pilot at 8.15 at Cape Moreton. The mail steamer was abreast of Richmond River at 2.45 p.m., and South Solitary Island was abeam at 7.30 p.m. Sydney Heads were entered at 11.35 a.m. yesterday, and she berthed at noon. The length of the passage, including all stops, was 22 days and 19 hours, the actual steaming time being 20 days and 16 hours.

THE ABERDEEN LINERS.

Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Limited, agents for the Aberdeen line, report:—

The Aberdeen is in port at London, and will sail to-day. She is due Capetown May 21, Melbourne June 10, and Sydney June 15.

The Australasian is in port at Sydney, and will sail May 1. She will leave Melbourne May 6, due Natal May 28, and London June 26.

The Damascus left Sydney Feb. 27, and Melbourne March 4, arrived Natal March 26, and Plymouth April 24.

The Moravian left Sydney April 8, and Melbourne April 15, due Natal May 7, and London June 5.

The Nineveh left Sydney March 17, and Melbourne March 25, arrived Natal April 17, due London May 16.

The Salamis left Plymouth April 9, due Capetown May 1, Melbourne May 21, and Sydney May 25.

The Sophocles left Plymouth March 19, and Capetown April 10, due Melbourne April 30, and Sydney May 4.

THE CHINGTU, FROM HONGKONG.

The China Navigation Company's steam-ship Chingtu, commanded by Captain J. M. D. Howie, arrived last night from China and anchored in Watson's Bay for the night, awaiting medical inspection. She sailed from Hongkong on Saturday, April 4, with a full cargo and a fair complement of passengers. Moderate to fresh winds and fine weather were experienced while crossing the China Sea to Manila, which port was reached early on the morning of the 7th. She left again the same day for Port Darwin, arriving there on the 14th, and sailing next day. Strong E. to S.E. winds, increasing to a gale, with high seas, were met with to Thursday Island, where the vessel arrived on the 18th and left again on the 19th. Strong south-easterly winds with heavy rain squalls continued to Townsville. Cooktown was reached on the 21st, and left next day. Calls were made at Cairns on the 22nd, and Townsville on the 23rd. The vessel sailed from the latter port at 4 p.m. on the 23rd, and made a good run to Brisbane, arriving there at 1 a.m. on the 25th. She left again at 5 a.m., and passed Cape Moreton at 8 a.m. The Chingtu reached Sydney Heads at 7 o'clock last evening. From Brisbane strong westerly winds were met with as far as Newcastle, thence fine weather to arrival. She will anchor in Johnstone's Bay to-day to discharge her cargo into lighters, and sails for Melbourne either before dark to-day or early to-morrow morning. A tender will leave the Circular Quay for the Chingtu about 9.30 this morning, most probably from the Phillip-street jetty. Passengers will be landed at the company's wharf, Miller's Point.

THE WHITE STAR LINERS.

Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Limited, agents for the White Star line, report the following movements:—

The Afric left Liverpool April 16, due Capetown May 7, Albany May 28, Adelaide May 28, Melbourne May 31, and Sydney June 5.

The Medic left Liverpool March 19, Capetown April 9, and Albany April 28, due Adelaide to-morrow, Melbourne May 3, and Sydney May 8.

The Persic left Sydney March 21, and Melbourne March 27, arrived Capetown April 24, due London May 18.

The Runic left Sydney April 9, and Melbourne April 16, due Capetown May 15, and London June 8.

The Suevic left Sydney Feb. 20, and Melbourne Feb. 27, arrived Capetown March 27, and London April 20.

JAPAN MAIL LINE.

Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co., agents for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, report the following movements of the Japanese mail steamers:—

The J.M.S. Kumano Maru arrived from Melbourne on the 25th instant and berthed at Circular Quay. She is now loading for the East, and sails for Yokohama, via ports, on Wednesday, 29th instant.

The J.M.S. Kasuga Maru, which sailed hence on the 1st instant for Yokohama, via ports, is due at Kobe to-day and destination on the 30th instant.

The J.M.S. Yawata Maru, from Japan to Sydney, via ports, left Manila yesterday, and is due to arrive here on May 15.

LUND'S BLUE ANCHOR LINE.

Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Sanderson, Limited, report:—

The Warrigal is now in Sydney, and leaves again for London, via South Africa, on May 2.

The Commonwealth is due at Adelaide from London on May 10.

The Wilcannia leaves London for Australia on the 28th instant.

The Yarrawonga is due at London from Australia on May 1.

The Narrung left Albany on the 21st instant for London, via South Africa.

The Wakool is still under charter to the Imperial Government for transport purposes.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Sanderson, Limited, report:—

The Kaisow arrived at Glasgow at midnight on the 26th instant.

The Sarpedon left Adelaide on the 16th instant for London, via Suez.

The Hector left Adelaide for London on March 26.

The Orestes arrived at London from Australia on the 16th instant, and it is advised that her fruit from Hobart was in excellent condition.

The Idomeneus resumed her voyage from Capetown on the 16th instant for London.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

KARUMBA.—Dep.: April 26, Maranoa, s., for Brisbane.

THURSDAY ISLAND.—Arr.: April 27, Empire, s., from Sydney. Dep.: April 27, Changsha, s., for Hongkong. Passed: April 25, Pazilka, s., from Calcutta, south. April 26, Aunsberg, s., for Singapore; Rotorua, s., for Penang; Janet Nicol, s., for Penang.

COOKTOWN.—Dep.: April 26, Papuan, sch., for Samarai.

CAIRNS.—Arr.: April 26, Gabo, s., from Brisbane.

TOWNSVILLE.—Arr.: April 27, Barcoo, s., from Brisbane. Dep.: April 26, Wyandra, s., for Brisbane.

FLATTOP ISLAND.—Arr.: April 27, Wodonga, s., from Sydney.

ROCKHAMPTON.—Arr.: April 26, Konoowarra, s., from Sydney.

MARYBOROUGH.—Dep.: April 27, Tinana, s., for Bundaberg.

BRISBANE.—Arr.: April 27, Moura, s., from Rockhampton; Allinga, s., Mildura, s., Peregrine, s., and Eurimbla, s., all from Sydney; Eastern, s., from Kobe. Dep.: April 27, Eastern, s., for Sydney.

TWEED HEADS.—Arr.: April 27, Friendship, s., at 7.9 a.m.; Wollumbin, s., at 7.45 a.m.; Duroby, s., off the bar at 5.30 p.m. Dep.: April 26, Gwendoline, sch., at 7.20 a.m.; Augusta, s., at 7.45 a.m. Dep.: April 27, Mildura, s., at 7.20 a.m., north.

RICHMOND HEADS.—Arr.: April 27, Tomki, s., at 6.40 a.m.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arr.: April 27, Kyogle, s., at 6.5 a.m., from Sydney.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Arr.: April 27, Dorrigo, s., at 4 a.m. Dep.: Dorrigo, s., at 7 p.m., for Byron Bay. Passed: A barque at 9.40 a.m., north.

NAMBUCCA HEADS.—Arr.: April 27, Baden-Powell, s., at 6.30 a.m., from Sydney.

SMOKY CAPE.—Passed: April 27, Linda, ktch., at 12.15 p.m.; Moana, ktch., at 3.45 p.m., both north; Australia, sch., at 5.30 p.m., south.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arr.: April 27, Wave, ktch., at 7 a.m.; Zelma, ktch., at 5.30 p.m., both from Sydney. Dep.: Trilby, s., at 9 a.m. Passed: Annandale, ktch., at 5 p.m., north.

TACKING POINT.—Passed: April 27, Stettin, s., at 3 p.m., south.

CAMDEN HAVEN HEADS.—Dep.: April 26, Kincumber, s., at 7.30 p.m. Passed: April 27, Bellinger, s., at 6.30 a.m., north.

CROWDY HEAD.—Passed: April 27, a large steamer at 8 a.m.; Augusta, s., at noon; Trilby, s., at 2.50 p.m.; a large steamer with yellow funnel at 3.40 p.m., all south; a brigantine at 3.30 p.m., north.

MANNING HEADS.—Dep.: April 27, Electra, s., at 8.30 a.m.; Captain Cook, s., with punt in tow, at 6 p.m., for Newcastle.

CAPE HAWKE.—Arr.: April 27, Paris, sch., at 6.30 a.m.; Aleda, sch., at 7.30 a.m.; Stanley, sch., at 9.20 a.m., all from Sydney. Dep.: Thistle, s., at 6.35 a.m., for Sydney.

PORT STEPHENS.—Arr.: April 27, Hawke, s., at 5.30 a.m. Dep.: Hawke, s., at 3.15 p.m. Passed: April 27, Kincumber, s., at 8.55 a.m.; Chingtu, s., at 12.35 p.m.; Thistle, s., at 12.30 p.m.; Electra, s., at 2.30 p.m., all south; Ladysmith, ktch., at 4.45 p.m., north.

NEWCASTLE.—Arr.: April 27, Gleaner, ktch., Helen Nicoll, s., Jones Brothers, sch., Tamar, s., Banda Isle, Annbqtn., Time, s., Ariel, yacht, from Sydney; Taglioferro, s., Sapphire, s., from Melbourne; Ramon, s., from Sydney. Dep.: April 27, Tamar, s., Namoi, s., Tarshaw, s., for Sydney; Wakatipu, s., for Launceston, via Sydney; Leon Tornado, ship, for San Francisco.

CATHERINE HILL BAY.—Arr.: April 27, Wallarah, s., at 6 a.m., from Sydney. Dep.: April 27, Wallarah, s., at 11 a.m., for Sydney.

BARRENJOEY.—Arr.: April 27, Hawkesbury, s., at 4.30 p.m., from Sydney. Dep.: April 27, Adelaide, launch, at 9 a.m., for Sydney.

SOUTH HEAD.—Passed: April 27, a four-masted bq., like General Gordon, at 5.30 p.m., north.

WOLLONGONG.—Arr.: April 27, Kurrara, s., at 5 a.m., from Sydney; Illawarra, s., at noon, from Kiama; Bushako, scow, at 4.10 p.m., from Jervis Bay; Allowrie, s., at 7.30 p.m., from Sydney. Dep.: April 27, Bawarra, s., at 1.30 p.m.; Kurrara, s., at 4 p.m., both for Sydney.

KIAMA.—Dep.: April 27, Illawarra, s., at 10.10 a.m.; Kiama, s., at 11 a.m., both for Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Dep.: April 27, Illawarra, s., at 8 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY.—Dep.: April 27, Kuakaka, scow, at 8.15 a.m. Passed: April 27, a four-masted barque in tow to the east at 11.25 a.m.; Murray, s., at 4.5 p.m.; Melbourne, s., at 4.10 p.m.; Coomonderry, s., at 4.10 p.m.; Oonah, s., at 4.30 p.m.; Ellen, s., in sight at 5.50 p.m., all north.

BATEMAN'S BAY.—Dep.: April 27, Eden, s., at noon, for Sydney.

MORUYA.—Dep.: April 27, Murray, s., at 8.30 a.m.; Coomonderry, s., at 8.30 a.m., both for Sydney. Passed: Taglioferro, s., at 5.40 p.m., north.

EDEN.—Arr.: April 27, Maud Weston, at 3.45 a.m., from Sydney.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: April 27, Cloncurry, s., at 7.30 a.m., north.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: April 27, New Guinea, s., at 6.10 a.m.; Chillagoe, s., at 11.25 a.m., both west; one of Union Company's steamers at 6.10 a.m., north.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Inward: April 26, Barwon, s., at 6.30 p.m.

MELBOURNE.—Arr.: April 27, Era, s., from Newcastle; Oruba, R.M.S., from Hobart; Argus, s., from Rangoon; Barwon, s., from Sydney.

HOBART.—Arr.: April 27, Natal Queen, bq., at 11.55 a.m., from Adelaide.

DEVONPORT.—Arr.: April 26, Jane Morehead, ktch., at noon, from Melbourne. Dep.: April 25, Melbourne, s., at 9 p.m., for Sydney. April 27, Orion, s., at 2.30 p.m., for Melbourne.

ADELAIDE.—Arr.: April 27, Oriental, R.M.S., from London; Age, s., from Newcastle; Kalgoorlie, s., from Melbourne. Dep.: April 27, Oriental, R.M.S., for Melbourne.

ALBANY.—Arr.: April 27, Dawn, s., from Esperance; Kooringa, s., from Newcastle.

FREMANTLE.—Arr.: April 27, Perth, s., and China, R.M.S., from the Eastern States; Kanowna, s., from London.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

TIMARU.—Dep.: April 27, Hauroto, s., for Sydney.

WELLINGTON.—Dep.: April 27, Castle Holme, bq., for London.

TOWN HALL CONTROL.

The control of the entrance and exit arrangements for the audiences attending the Lloyd concerts at the Sydney Town Hall have been of such a nature as to call for general commendation. Messrs. J. C. Williamson and George Musgrove, who have the direction of the concerts, through their manager (Mr. Harold Ashton), placed all the arrangements for this control in the hands of the Town Hall staff, acting under the supervision of Mr. Martin Catrick, the Lord Mayor's orderly, who is in charge of the entire building. Mr. Catrick's experience in the handling of large gatherings at the hall has specially fitted him for the work, besides ensuring the comfort of the audiences. A fresh departure has been made, the whole of the doors being thrown open, with carefully selected attendants in charge of them during the evening; whilst the carriage traffic at the hall has been managed by Mr. Catrick's staff, with the co-operation of the police. In view of the success attending this new system it has been determined that in future all Town Hall functions, so far as the admission and departure of guests are concerned, shall be managed by the Town Hall staff.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

At the invitation of the Parramatta branch of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, Mr. T. R. Moxham, M.L.A., addressed the members in St. John's School on the attitude of the New South Wales Alliance on the new Liquor Bill as presented in the manifesto issued by that body. Mr. Moxham said he was against the proposal to introduce the sale of liquors into the oyster saloons. He looked upon that as a blot in the bill. He afterwards spoke on the reform movement, and expressed himself in favour of reducing the number of members to 80. In reply to questions he said that so far as the temperance movement was concerned he did not think they would get much satisfaction from the present Ministry. At the close of the meeting a vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Moxham on the motion of Mrs. Champion, seconded by Miss Mason.

AN INSPECTOR OF NUISANCES.

The Parramatta Borough Council having decided upon having an officer to act solely as inspector of nuisances and to collect the sanitary service rates has received over 80 applications for the position.

THE BAULKHAM HILLS TRAM.

For some time past both the Municipal Council and the Parramatta Progress Association have been making an effort to induce the Railway Commissioners to make Market-street an extra stopping-place for the Baulkham Hills tram. The Commissioners have stated that they cannot comply with the request, as the time is already limited for making the journey.

LICENSING.

At the Parramatta Licensing Court yesterday, before Mr. T. E. MacNevin, S.M., a transfer of the license of the Cornstalk Hotel from Mrs. Pearce to Oliver Watson was granted.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Monday.

Average rainfall for 44 years, 49·674.
Average rainfall from January 1 to March 31, 13·384.
Rainfall from January 1, 8·801.
Temperature.—Maximum, 68°; minimum, 51·3.
Humidity.—At 9 a.m., 62°; at 3 p.m., 52°.

BAROMETER READINGS.

Carnarvon, 30·00; Geraldton, 30·03; Perth, 30·05; Esperance Bay, 29·96; Eucla, 30·20; Streaky Bay, 30·26; Adelaide, 30·21; Robe, 30·19; Melbourne, 30·06; Wilson's Promontory, 29·97; Gabo Island, 29·77; Sydney, 29·99; Newcastle, 30·03; Port Macquarie, 30·09; Clarence Heads, 30·05; Brisbane, 30·13; Rockhampton, 30·09; Cooktown, 30·02.

RAINFALL.

The rainfall records for the 48 hours ended at 9 a.m. will be found elsewhere.

INTER-STATE RAINFALLS.

Tasmania.—Cape Sorell 128 points, Low Head 40, Hobart 17, Hythe 12, Swansea 19.

Victoria.—Melbourne 14 points, Warrnambool 9, Cape Otway 42, Cape Patton 12, Cape Schanck 28, Wilson's Promontory 45, Horsham 1, Echuca 8, Omeo 3, Sale 4, Bendigo 5, Ballarat 15.

South Australia.—Port Darwin 116 points, Katherine 14, Tennant's Creek 89, Port Augusta 7, Eucla 10, Fowler's Bay 14, Lincoln 50, Wallaroo 74, Robe 59, M'Donnell 9, Cape Borda 101, Adelaide 77.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales (for 48 hours ended 9 a.m.).—General rain, thunderstorms and squalls in various districts.

Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy, with scattered showers; fine in the north.

Queensland.—Generally fine and clear.

South Australia.—Clear in the far north, threatening to showery elsewhere.

Tasmania.—Cloudy to showery in the south, clear in the north.

Western Australia.—Fine, with scattered clouds.

Northern Australia.—Cloudy in the north, fine elsewhere.

New Zealand.—Cloudy in the south, clear over central and northern districts.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, E.S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Clarence Heads, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, W.S.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, N.W., light, dull, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Barranjoey, W.S.W., light, fine, sea smooth; South Head, W.N.W., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, S.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, W.S.W., fresh, cloudy, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, W., light, fine, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, W., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Ulladulla, S.W., light, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, calm, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Eden, S.W., fresh, cloudy, misty, sea smooth; Green Cape, S.W., strong, cloudy, misty, sea slight; Gabo Island, S.W., fresh gale, showery, sea rough.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Mostly fine and cool with W. to S.W. winds, strong on the coast; showery over eastern Riverina and southern coast and highland districts.—H. C. Russell.

South Australia.—Cloudy and fine; clearer shortly, with N.E. and N. winds.—C. Todd.

Victoria.—Clearing up inland; cloudy and showery in eastern and coastal districts; S. winds, strong in the Straits; rough sea but soon moderating.—P. Baracchi.

BRISBANE BUREAU FORECASTS.

New South Wales.—Still showery in the south-eastern districts under the influence of the disturbance "Hodgman," but fine over the remainder of the State and cold; ground frost probable over the highlands and Riverina.

Western Australia.—No data. Some clouds along northern coast and a few passing showers under eastern. Fine and cool elsewhere.

Central Australia and Northern Territory.—No data. Fine throughout and cold nights in the interior; S.E. to E. winds.

South Australia.—No data. Somewhat cloudy along coast, and especially to the south-east, where it will be showery, with fresh S. and S.W. winds; fine otherwise, with cold nights; areas of rough sea to the south-east from Kangaroo Island.

Queensland.—Cloudy, with a few passing showers along the north-east coast, also S.E. winds; fine elsewhere and cool, with probably some frost on the downs; south-westerly winds in the south-east.

Victoria and Tasmania.—Unsettled throughout Tasmania and the eastern half of Victoria, with south-westerly and southerly squalls and showers under the influence of "Hodgman" but with a tendency to become finer; fine otherwise, with a little scattered cloud.

New Zealand.—Fine with scattered clouds and cold throughout; northerly winds.

Lord Howe and Norfolk Islands.—Squally, with showers over Lord Howe under the northern edge of "Hodgman." Fine over Norfolk.

New Caledonia and Adjacent Islands.—Fine to cloudy, with S.E. and E. winds.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR APRIL 28.

Sun rises at 6.26, sets at 5.18; Moon, 7.0 a.m., 5.44 p.m.; Mercury, 7.47 a.m., 6.0 p.m.; Venus, 9.21 a.m., 7.11 p.m.; Mars, 3.55 p.m., 3.32 a.m.; Jupiter, 2.21 a.m., 3.4 p.m.; Saturn, 11.24 p.m., 1.17 p.m.

Full moon, May 11; new moon, May 27.

High water at Fort Denison, 8.41 a.m., 8.58 p.m.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, *5.3, and 7 p.m.

* Letters for Melbourne only will be accepted without late fee for the express from 5.30 to 6.30 p.m., if posted at G.P.O. in the special box, which will be open for that purpose during the time stated.

Queensland.—Overland, †3.45 p.m.

† Letters for Queensland will be accepted without late fee for the northern express from 3.45 to 4.15 p.m., if posted at G.P.O. in the special box, which will be open for that purpose during the time stated.

Niue (Savage Island).—John Williams, 9 a.m.
Richmond River.—Ramornie, 1 p.m.
Port Macquarie and Bellinger Heads.—Rosedale, 3 p.m.
Port Macquarie.—Hastings, 3 p.m.
Manning River.—Electra, 4 p.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per R.M.S. Oruba, 4.30 p.m.
R.M.S. Oruba (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Launceston and North-west Coast of Tasmania, via Eden.—Wakatipu, 5 p.m.
Dunedin, &c., N.Z., and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Victoria, 5.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—R.M.S. Oruba, 5.30 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.
Byron Bay.—Cavanba, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Montague Island and Eden.—Eden, 11 a.m.
Thursday Island, Manila, Hongkong, and Japan.—Kumano Maru, 11 a.m.
Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Mararoa, 11 a.m.
Tonga, from Auckland, Manapouri, 11 a.m.
Noumea.—Pacifique, noon.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Marloo, 5.30 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Flora, 7 p.m.
‡Beira, Natal, and Capetown, via Melbourne.—Gulf of Siam, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY.

Hobart.—Oonah, 10 a.m.
Samarai and Port Moresby (British New Guinea), via Brisbane.—Arawatta, 3.45 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 5.30 p.m.
‡Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Sydney, 5.30 p.m.
Adelaide, via Melbourne.—Burrumbeet, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Lord Howe, Norfolk, New Hebrides, Solomon, and Santa Cruz Islands.—Titus, 3 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Australian, 5.30 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Wellington, &c., N.Z. (direct).—Warrimoo, noon.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, via Wellington.—Tarakona, noon.
Brisbane.—Tyrian, noon.
Richmond River.—Tomki, 1 p.m.

‡ Correspondence intended for transmission by this mail must be specially endorsed with the name of the ship.

PARCEL MAIL.

Parcels addressed to the United Kingdom, Egypt, Ceylon, India, Malta, Hongkong, via the United Kingdom, will be received at the Parcels Office, 151 Castlereagh-street, for transmission per P. and O. Company's steamer Himalaya, up to 9.30 a.m. on SATURDAY, May 2. Parcels addressed to Fiji and Canada will be received at the Parcels Office, 151 Castlereagh-street, for transmission per C.A. steamer Moana up to 10.30 a.m. on MONDAY, May 18. Parcels addressed to Germany will be received at the Parcels Office, 151 Castlereagh-street, for transmission per German steamer Oldenburg, up to 11 a.m. on SATURDAY, May 2. Parcels addressed to France will be received at the Parcels Office, 151 Castlereagh-street, for transmission per M.M. steamer Dumbea, up to 1.30 p.m. on MONDAY, May 11. Parcels addressed to Cape Colony will be received at the Parcels Office, 151 Castlereagh-street, for transmission per Aberdeen steamer Australasian, up to 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, May 5.

MR. WISE AND THE TAFF VALE DECISION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—Mr. Wise's observations on the Industrial Arbitration Act, as published in to-day's "Herald," following upon other remarks of a like purport made by him some time ago, raise some rather serious questions, for, supposing him to be correct in his strictures upon Mr. Justice Walker's judgment in Keogh's case, it means that a trade-union can escape all real liability for acts of violence or intimidation by transferring its assets to itself in its capacity as an industrial union. True, Mr. Wise admits that the industrial union would be answerable to the Arbitration Court, though he denies its responsibility in any way to the ordinary courts of the land. It is also true that in the very case Mr. Wise is commenting on, Mr. Justice Walker was emphatic in laying down that the Arbitration Court could not have taken cognisance of the complaints in what was than dealing with. If the Judge was right, then Mr. Wise's plan of enabling a trade-union to protect its funds by handing them over to itself as an industrial union can only prove a snare to trade-unionists. Their funds, whether nominally vested in tweedledum the trade-union, or tweedledee the industrial union, would be equally liable to compensate persons injured by their unlawful acts.

If, on the other hand, the Judge was wrong and Mr. Wise was right, in what position does he place the public? A person injured by such a conspiracy as the Court held to be proved in Keogh's case would find it useless to proceed against the trade-union, because, on the happy inspiration of the Attorney-General of the State, the trade-union would be without funds to answer for its breaches of the law. The industrial union, consisting of the same identical persons, having secured the ownership of the funds, would not, according to Mr. Wise, be answerable to the ordinary courts, as trade-unions were held to be in the Taff Vale case. If, as Mr. Wise asserts, the industrial union would be answerable to the Arbitration Court on such charges, in what way is such responsibility to be enforced? If it is by making the union's funds liable for its unlawful acts, in what way is the position of its members bettered by the transfer of the funds? Is it not clear that Mr. Wise's proposal is intended, and can only be understood, as a protection to the body of workers, call them by what name you please, against a disadvantage which ordinary wrong doers labour under of having to make compensation for their wrong-doing? If not, what gain to the workers can accrue by holding out hopes of nullifying the effect of the Taff Vale decision so far as these bodies of men are concerned? The principle of that decision cannot be too clearly borne in mind. It is thus stated in one of the judgments delivered by the highest court in England:—"The substantial question, therefore, as Farwell, J., put it, is this: Has the Legislature authorised the creation of numerous bodies of men capable of owning great wealth and of acting by agents, with absolutely no responsibility for the wrongs they may do to other persons by the use of that wealth, and the employment of those agents? In my opinion Parliament has done nothing of the kind."

If the observations of Mr. Wise foreshadow any proposal to amend the existing law by tampering with the principle, the sooner it is made clear the better. If they foreshadow some future struggle by a trade-union after taking the precaution of transferring its funds in the way suggested, it will still remain to be seen whether any attempt to make the industrial union a dummy, under cover of which its members, in their capacity as a trade-union, may be enabled to break the law with impunity.

I am, &c., W. P. CULLEN.

Chambers, April 27.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Monday Evening.

Business in the Stock and Share market to-day was almost featureless either as respects its volume or movements in prices, which were generally very steady. Bank of New South Wales were quitted at 42¾, a rise of ½; and Australian Joint Stock Bank A deposits improved a trifle. Illawarra Steam advanced 5s, and North Coast Steam 3d. Sydney Ferries selling at 38s 6d, a decline of 6d. For Australian Mutual Fire Insurance the higher price of 34s was offered. An extra shilling was paid for Australian Gaslight, which may be quoted as firm at the advanced price of £17 8s 6d. Newcastle Gas, contributing, were inquired for at 85s. In the miscellaneous list, Aarons' Exchange and Permanent Trustee improved somewhat, and Sydney Hydraulic, contributing, were offered at the reduced price of 16s.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange to-day the following sales were reported:—Forenoon: Newcastle and Hunter River Steam, 19s. Noon: Australian Gaslight, £17 8s 6d; Toohey's, Limited, 20s 6d. Later: Sydney Ferries, 38s 6d; Bank of New South Wales, 42¾; Toohey's, Limited, 20s 6d. Afternoon: Nil. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.
	£	£	£	p.c.				
F. STOCK &c.								
N.S.W. F. S., 1892	549,350	...	...	4	102¼	102½	103½	3½
Do. Act, 1873	580,189	...	...	4	105	102¾	...	
Do., 1913	...	...	...	3	84½	98	...	
Do., 1912	...	...	...	3½	98½	98	99	
Do. deb., 1906	...	...	...		101	...	...	
Do., F.S., 1925	...	...	...	3	91½	...	...	
Do., T. Bills, 1905	1,000,000	...	...	3½	99	...	...	3½
Do., T. Bills, 1906	...	...	...	...	99	98	99½	3½
Do. Deb. 1902	300,300	...	...	5	103	...	...	
Q.D., 1913	...	...	...	4	101	...	...	
Q.D., 1925	...	...	...	3½	...	...	...	
N.Z. D., 1915	300,000	...	...	4	103	100	...	
Ditto, 1914	...	...	...	4	102	...	...	
Col. Sugar—D., 1914—	...	...	...	5	107	105	...	
City Syd. Deb.	...	...	...	4	103	100½	...	3½
Australn. Gas Debentures	...	...	...	...	...	100	...	
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	1,168,041	10	7½	...	...	...	...	
Australasia	1,600,000	40	40	11	85	...	...	
City	240,000	10	8	4	83/	82/	...	
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	77/	...	...	
Commercial of Australia	84,400	10	10/	...	5/4	3/6	4/2	
Ditto pref.	2,117,070	10	10	3	90/	84/	88	7
Comm. of Syd	1,000,000	25	12½	10	25½	25½	26	5
N. of Aus.	1,192,440	8	5	3½	56/1	50	54/	5½
Ditto, pref.	303,780	10	10	5	...	...	...	
N. S. W.	2,000,000	20	20	10	42¾	42½	42¾	4¾
New Zealand	427,319	6½	3½	5	74	...	80/	4½
N. Q'nsland	100,000	7	2	2½	13	12/6	...	4½
Royal of Q.	451,307	9	6½	3	56/	...	...	
Union	1,500,000	75	25	8	98	37½	...	5½
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bk.—Class A	...	...	...	3	14/3	14/1½	14/7½	4
Class B	...	...	...	3	11/1	11/	11/3	5
Ditto Insc.	798,088	...	...	3½	8/d	8/6	9/6	8½
Com. of Aus., A ser., 189[illegible]	965,482	...	...	3½	19/3	18/3	...	4
Ditto assets	3,400,000	...	...	3	13/3	11/6	...	4½
E.S.A. Insc. pref.	889,418	...	...	3	12/	11/9	12/6	5
Ditto def.	888,908	...	...	4½	16/9	16/6	...	5½
Ditto Deb.	998,547	...	...	4	17/	16/8	17/	4½
Ditto Ter.	95,122	...	...	4	19/10	19/3	...	4
Q. National	...	...	...	3½	11/6	10/	11/3	7
STEAM.								
Balmain N. Ferry	16,420	1	1	10	...	...	...	
Illawarra	58,090	5	3½	8½	86/6	80/	100/	7
Newcastle	100,000	1	1	8	19/	18/9	19/9	6¾
N'th Coast	131,250	1	17/6	8	19/6	18/9	20	7
Sydn'y F'rries	120,000	1	1	8	38/6	38/	38/6	4½
Ditto, new	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
P. Jackson	95,000	50	25	5	19/6	20/	24/	6½
Ditto, Co-op.	8,745	...	1	2½	17/	...	...	
How. Smith, ordinary	175,166	1	20	10	...	...	...	
Ditto ord.	18,708	1	5	10	...	...	...	
Ditto Pref.	173,161	1	20	5	...	...	...	
Ditto Pref.	19,209	1	5	5	...	...	5/	
INSURANCE.								
A. M. Fire	50,000	1	10	16½	32/6	34/	...	
Mer. Mut.	80,000	1	4	16½	15/6	13/3	...	
N. Zealand	200,000	10	2	15	75/	...	80/	4
N. Q'land	50,000	1	10	8	...	12/6	13/9	
Ditto	3,562	1	5	10	...	...	...	
United	82,510	10	2½	10	83	80/	84	6
Ditto new	5,725	10	12/6	10	...	...	...	
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1	12/6	10	20/	...	...	
Australian	661,798	6	6	...	17/8/6	17½	17½	6½
C. Towers	20,000	10	10/	1	14/	13/9	15/3	
Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	48/6	48/	...	6
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	27/6	26	...	5¾
Maitland Gas	18,500	5	5	...	...	6	...	
Manly	16,500	5	5	7	25/	23/	...	
Ditto New	5,000	1	10/	7	12/6	...	...	
Mudgee	5,000	1	1	7	18/	17/9	...	7¾
Newcastle	25,128	2	2	15	6	5¾	...	5
Ditto	...	...	25/	...	78/6	...	...	
North Shore	100,000	1	1	7	35/6	34/	...	4
Ditto New	...	...	1	15	7	18/	...	
S. Brisbane	...	...	...	10/	12/11	...	...	
Ditto Pref.	...	...	...	...	7/	...	...	
BREW'RIES								
Albury	10,500	1	10/	5	...	...	...	
Ditto	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	
Australian	49,000	10	10	...	4	3/	5/	
C. and Wood Bros'	250,000	1	1	4	11/9	10/	11/6	6½
Marshall's	29,700	10	5	6	4/6	4/6	5/	6½
Perkins'	58,313	15	15	28½	...	...	...	
Toohey's	550,000	1	1	6	20/6	20/3	20/6	5½
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	8	32/9	32/6	33/	5
MISCELLN'S.								
Aarons'	17,500	15	10	5	2/6	2/9	3/	19½
Aus. News	40,000	1	1	...	9	...	...	
H. H. Water Supply	186,500	1	1	10	18/	17/6	18/3	11½
Burns, Philp	275,000	1	1	8	31/6	...	...	
New Issue	...	...	...	8	8/3	...	...	
Col. Sugar	1,872,200	20	20	10	38	38½	3-½	5½
Dalgety & Co.	1,000,000	25	5	6	90/	...	16	
DunlopP.Tyre	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Emu B. Rail.	100,000	1	1	6	8/6	...	...	
Emu Gravel	34,000	1	1	6	...	...	6/	
Federal Coke	12,250	20	20/	...	...	...	...	
Do. Pref., etc.	3,763	20	10/	7½	...	...	...	
Hoffnung&Co pref.	150,000	1	1	5	...	...	...	
[illegible]	70,000	5	5	5½	...	...	...	
Malt Co.	21,000	1	13	10	15/	...	15/	4½
Mel. Trams	80,000	1	1	10	16	15/	...	
M. de Piete	74,141	1	1	8	72/6	32/6	33	5
Mort's Dk.	150,000	1	1	...	17	...	17/	
Ditto Pref.	45,891	1	1	...	18	18/	...	6½
F. Food. Ice	165,114	1	18/	...	5/3	5/9	7/	
Shale and Oil	80,000	1	16/	...	1/1	...	...	
New York and B. Tob.	15,000	1	1	10	22	19/	22	9½
P'rm. Trust	25,000	5	2/6	6	2/6	2/6	2/7	6
Perp. Trus.	25,000	10	5/	10	10/3	10	11	5
Richardson & Wrench	80,000	1	1	5	12/3	11/9	13	8
Silv. Tram	197,806	1	1	...	59/	57/6	60	...
Syd. Exch.	30,000	10	10	6	12/5	12	12½	5
Syd. Hyd.	5,000	1	1	10	30	28/	30	6½
Ditto	37,500	1	10	10	17/	14/6	16	6½
Syd. Hyd. & O. E.	15,000	...	...	10	16/6	...	16/9	5½
Vol. Land Ord	...	...	...	...	1/6	...	14/	
Hall's Merc. Agency	12,000	1	...	10	21/4	21	21/9	9½
A. Mut. Prope	5,000	10	...	...	...	...	...	
LAND & BD.								
A. Mut. Dep.	...	...	...	...	44	...	...	
Excels. Dep.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Fed. B. Dep.	...	...	...	...	14/	...	...	
Haymark. D.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Do. Shares	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	
Ind. Prov.	47,800	2½	20	6	...	...	...	
Interc. I'v.	33,958	1	15/	7	13/	...	...	7½
Sy. Fre. Land	...	...	...	...	3/9	...	...	
Sel. & S. Dep.	...	...	...	...	7/	...	...	

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on last year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-year's [illegible]. + Net.

The chairman of the Mutual Life Association of Australasia, at the annual meeting held to-day, naturally indulged in a little laudation of the progress made by the society as shown by the increase in new business. And that view of the situation is made more interesting from the fact that it occurred notwithstanding the drought and its results. But the force of this statement is considerably minimised by the special references to the success of the business in England and New Zealand. If we are to judge, the figures of England, New Zealand, and Australia, if not of the separate parts of Australia, would have to be given separately. On the assurance business the increase of premium revenue was from £181,500 to £202,100, or by more than 9 per cent., which marks a rate of progress much in excess of barely 2 per cent. of the population. The extension of business on the whole cannot but be regarded as satisfactory, especially when taken in connection with the reduction of the rate of expenditure, which will probably be found susceptible of some further movement in the same direction. Of course a large new business commonly means a high rate of expense. The society's annuity business is a growing one, and is said to find favour in the United Kingdom.

The forty-third annual statement of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States shows premiums aggregating £10,871,158; consideration for annuities, £321,269; deposit on account of debentures and instalments, £46,367; interest, dividends, and rents, £2,886,149; gain in value of assets, £313,426; making a total income of £14,448,371. On the other side there were paid to policy-holders £6,054,346; for expenses and taxes, £2,607,891; interest on capital, £1438; leaving to be added to the funds £5,774,694, and making the huge total of £73,324,233. Including the amount gained in valuation of assets, the accretion from interest during the year had been at the rate of over £4 11s per cent. per annum. Expenses and taxes had absorbed about 23·9 per cent. of premium income. In valuing the assets in sterling the directors had adopted the more stringent ratio of 4·86618 dollars per £ instead of 4·80 dollars, with the result that £931,339 19s 2d had been written off, making the return so much less favourable than at the previous rate, still leaving the surplus at £15,418,150 if valued.

The splendid rain records throughout the State have produced a better tone in business circles, since it is now recognised that the prospects of graziers, agriculturists, dairymen, and in fact all classes engaged on the land have been so greatly improved as to assure a good winter, with, it is hoped, corresponding results as the fruit of their labour that must have a beneficial influence on every other class in the community. It is thought that a heavier rain might not only have proved destructive in the matter of floods, but have so deluged the ground as to prevent recovery of vegetation under the waning heat of the season's sun. A moderate quantity of rain, it is considered, is less likely to be succeeded by frost, and therefore the outlook is regarded as all the more propitious.

The absorption of silver by India is of course largely dependent on its prosperity, for despite the change in the currency standard the people take the amount of the balance of trade in their favour chiefly in the white metal. In the ten years since 1895, when the monetary change was effected, the Government on February 22 last had accumulated in the currency reserve gold to the amount of £9,073,000, and in the gold reserve there was at the same time £3,810,730. According to the finance Minister, who gave these figures in his recent budget, the gold in the currency reserve flows freely in and out, according to circumstances and monetary conditions, but the demand for the metal is generally small, and chiefly for remittance purposes, these private demands for export being limited by the action of the Government in curtailing the sale of Council bills whenever exchange approaches export point gold being remitted when necessary to the Secretary of State in substitution for sales of Council bills. The metal in the gold reserve fund would only be entrenched upon in the improbable event of an adverse balance of trade. In view of recent large importations of gold the Government had decided to apply £300,000 to the purchase of silver for coining if the circumstances required it, as seemed probable. Such purchases, doubtless, help to account for the rise in the price of the metal. The Government is making the experiment so far with success of popularising the general circulation of five-rupee notes, which had been used with advantage in the Presidency of Bombay, and the Minister stated that in due time, if success attended this effort, the advisability of issuing a ten-rupee note would be considered.

The foreign trade of the leading commercial nations of the world showed very large figures last year. The following table compiled from the British Board of Trade returns gives a comprehensive view of the whole:—

Country.	Imports, 1902. Total.	Inc. or Dec.	Exports, 1902. Total.	Inc. or Dec.
	£	£	£	£
Germany	276,594	Plus 5,586	243,400	Plus £1,837
Belgium	91,047	Plus 5,006	74,293	Plus 3,835
France	175,029	Plus 1,861	169,477	Plus 8,959
Spain	31,970	— 1,255	29,455	Plus 2,14
Austria-Hungary	71,824	Plus 2,904	79,598	Plus 1,127
Egypt	15,204	— 442	18,073	Plus 1,965
United States	201,942	Plus 18,521	277,798	— 21,831
Japan	27,550	Plus 1,613	26,193	Plus 692
British India	52,93	— 2,499	81,492	Plus 4,067
Canada	42,847	Plus 4,076	45,281	Plus 5,198
United Kingd'm	528,865	Plus 6,870	283,540	Plus 3,517

000's omitted.

On the import side the United States showed a very large increase, while the exports from that country showed a large decrease. The conditions of the States really contributed largely to the greater export trade from European countries, as they furnished them with iron and other goods which could not be supplied on the spot. Germany's increase in exports was very marked, including merchandise supplied at low prices, especially iron, to the United States.

The administration of the financial affairs of India stands out in marked contrast to that of the principal Australian States, and indeed to that of many European States. Year after year a balance is brought out well on the right side. In the Financial Statement for 1902-3, delivered on February 19, the revenue is shown as £76,892,500, giving a surplus over expenditure of £2,738,500. After providing for a reduction of 8 annas in the salt tax, equal to £1,113,000, and a remission of income tax to the amount of £240,000 by raising the minimum upon which tax has to be paid to 1000 rupees, a revenue of £76,345,400 is expected for 1903-4 to leave a surplus of £948,700. The public debt of India is £222,474,000. The value of the State railways is estimated at £264,065,000. The total commercial value of India's assets is given as £300,996,000, the commercial indebtedness being £21,812,000.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat ruled steady, Californian at 5s 2d to 5s 3d duty paid spot, Manitoba 5s 9d to arrive, and Argentine up to 5s 6d to arrive. The Feraley having arrived with some 5000 tons of Argentine wheat from Buenos Ayres, millers will lose no time in utilising this to add strength to their weaker Pacific Coast grain. Earlier tests proved Argentine to be eminently suitable for this purpose. The wheat ranges in weight from 63½ to 64lb. per imperial bushel, and as far as can be seen at present is turning out well. The latest c.i.f. prices for Argentine wheat for near shipment are advised by cable as 3s 9d to 3s 9½d for 63lb., which compares with 4s 2d to 4s 2½d c.i.f. for Manitoba. Flour ruled quiet on the basis of £12 10s for local, £12 10s to £12 15s for Manitoba spot, £12 5s to arrive, Washington £11 to £11 5s, and Adelaide £12 5s per ton.

Considerable interest is now being taken in the future of the London market, and cables have been forwarded to that centre asking for opinions on the prospects. The anxiety on this score is natural. The next few months are critical ones in the world's greatest wheat markets, for then the prospects of the coming crop in the Northern Hemisphere will be discounted. A large crop might possibly mean lower prices, while a small crop would have the reverse action on current rates, and seeing that heavy commitments have been made for future delivery in Sydney and other Australian ports eager eyes are turning Londonwards for some inkling as to what eventualities the future may have in store. "Beerbohm," in his corn trade list of March 13, states that the market had not been able to withstand the combined effects of weakness in America, where strength was looked for, and rather pressing offers of La Plata wheat afloat, the result being that prices rather gave way, except in the London spot market, which was scantily supplied, and the stocks were so small that factors were fully able to maintain late rates. The strength of the market lay, of course, on the small stocks on hand, and the more or less empty condition of consumers' reserves, added to the growing impression that supplies from the Atlantic ports would be the more difficult to obtain as the season progressed. Nevertheless, buyers did not seem disposed to move out of their attitude of reserve until, at any rate, something more definite was known with regard to the probable result of the growing crops, it being felt that supplies in the near future would be ample, thanks to the large quantity of Argentina wheat afloat, exceeding a million quarters for the United Kingdom. The absence of any animation in the Continental demand was also a somewhat depressing feature. Below are given the net imports into the leading countries for the six months ended January 31 in the past three years:—

	1900-01—Qrs.	1901-02—Qrs.	1902-03—Qrs.
United Kingdom	11,967,000	11,393,000	12,825,000
France	850,000	640,000	892,000
Germany	1,977,000	6,222,000	4,575,000
Belgium	2,293,000	2,388,000	2,634,000
Holland	1,076,000	1,275,000	1,605,000
Italy	1,330,000	1,600,000	2,700,000
Spain	447,000	310,000	175,000
Sweden	580,000	620,000	880,000
Switzerland and Greece	1,550,000	1,700,000	1,750,000
Total	22,555,000	25,221,000	27,804,000
Rate per annum	45,150,000	53,844,000	55,608,000

IMPORT MARKET.

Business was not particularly active to-day in this market, the usual Monday influences being at work. Moderate sales were, however, compassed at prices that show no material alteration on those current at the close of last week.

Tea.—Privately a little business was done in Kooloos at market rates. Cables from Colombo give the prices of common pekoe souchong, common pekoes, and common brokens as unchanged compared with the rates cabled a week ago. The shipments for Australian ports are advised as being phenomenally light. The unsold portion of the catalogue of Dalgety and Co., Limited, offered at auction on Friday has been placed at an advance.

Closing quotations were:—

CEYLONS.		INDIANS.	
Pekoe Souchong, common to good common	7d to 7½d	Br. Pek. Souch. Fannings	5½d to 6½d
Ditto, medium to fine	7½d to 8d	Pekoe Souchong, fair to good	6d to 6½d
Common Pekoe	7½d to 8d	Fine ditto	6½d to 7½d
Pekoe, ordinary to medium	8½d to 8¾d	Pekoe, medium to good med.	7½d to 8½d
Ditto, good medium to fine	9½d to 10d	Pekoe, fine to finest	8½d to 9½d
Orange Pekoe	9d to 11d	Assam Pekoes, medium to good medium	8½d to 9d
Br. Pekoe, common	8½d to 9d	Ditto, fine	9½d to 11½d
Medium to good medium	9½d to 9¾d	Darjeeling Pekoe, medium to good medium	8½d to 9½d
Fine to finest	10d to 11d	Ditto, fine to finest	9½d to 1s
Extra finest	1s to 1s 3d		

CHINA (NEW SEASON'S).

Congou, common o.w.	5½d to 5½d	Panyong Buds, medium	nominal.
Ditto, good common	5¾d to 6½d	Ditto, finest	nominal.
Panyong, med.	6½d to 7½d	S.O. Pekoe, common	nominal.
Panyong, good med. to fine	7½d to 11d	Ditto, medium	nominal.
Finest up to		Ditto, fine	nominal.
Panyong Buds, common	nominal.	Ditto, finest	1s 1d to 1s 4d

Messrs. Cyril Trower and Co. will offer at auction at the Mart, 109 Pitt-street, 503 packages of Ceylon teas ex Himalaya on account of Messrs. Tange and Co.

Sugar.—Stocks of both China and American sugar have now been cleared up at £20 5s, and no more of the latter grade is expected to arrive. Nor is it anticipated that much more China will be seen on this market for some time, owing to the scarcity of raw material for the refineries up north. Saturday's cable showed an advance of 4d per cwt. in the case of granulated compared with the rates cabled a week earlier. The state of the London market when last mail left was thus described in the "Produce Markets Review," dated London, March 14:—"The extent of the sowings of the next beet crop remains surrounded with uncertainty, and meanwhile the value of existing sugar slowly rises. This, in spite of the cautious trade demand, can only be regarded as a very healthy sign, and at this advanced period of the sugar season may shortly produce greater activity. Until, however, the budget is declared there may be some hesitation amongst country buyers, but they should not overlook the fact that the revenue from sugar during the last twelve months is considerably behind the estimate of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, so that an increase is quite as likely as any decrease in the average duty. It is improbable, however, that any radical change will take place this year, in view of the meeting of the Sugar Commission, which will apparently not be constituted until after the budget is declared here."

Groceries.—Business in this department was confined to sales of proprietary lines and distributing lots at late market rates.

Eastern Produce.—Two tons of canary seed sold at £23 10s ex wharf.

Liquors.—Seventy quarter-casks of Lowndes's rum changed hands at 2s 6d to arrive.

Metals.—Fencing wire met with an improved demand at full rates. Twenty-five tons of No. 8 black sold at £8 5s, and 10 tons of No. 10 at £8 12s 6d per ton. 200 casks of cement moved off at 12s.

Jute Goods.—Cornsacks were firmly held at 4s 8d. Cables from Calcutta advise a firmer market there, stating that the prospects of the jute crop are poor, owing to want of rain. Branbags remained quiet at 3s 7d. Fifteen bales of woolpacks went at 1s 10½d for 11½lb. for export.

Oils.—Kerosene met with a good seasonable demand. American at 10d and Borneo at 9d in cases. The fall in turps was due to a corresponding drop at New York, where the new crop is now beginning to make itself felt. Prices this year were exceptionally high, touching 3s 11d here, against 2s 6d as about an average rate, and 1s 6d as the lowest c.i.f. price recorded. There is thus a good deal of room for a fall from even the current rate of 3s 5d per gallon. 100 cases of castor oil sold at 2s 6d.

Chemicals.—Cables have been received advising an advance of ½d per lb. in cream of tartar, with a prospect of a higher market.

Messrs. S. H. Harris and Co. will offer at auction to-morrow (Tuesday) a quantity of groceries, &c., to close consignments, particulars of which are advertised elsewhere.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £13,902. The principal items were:—Stimulants, £3182; narcotics, £950; sugar, £16; agricultural products and groceries, £1722; apparel and textiles, £2062; metals and machinery, £464; oils, paints, and varnishes, £55; earthenware, cement, &c., £98; drugs and chemicals, £34; wood, wicker, and cane, £23; jewellery and fancy goods, £281; leather and rubber, £204; paper and stationery, £108; vehicles, £56; musical instruments, £78; miscellaneous, £128; harbour and light dues, £109; pilotage, £82; excise on spirits £325; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1830; excise on beer, £108; excise on sugar, £2400.

EXPORT MARKET.

Australian Hares in London.—Some time ago Mr. C. C. Lance, the commercial agent for the New South Wales Government in London, made a report on the hare trade. This was published at the time in these columns. The "Fish Trades Gazette and Poultry, Game, and Rabbit Trade Chronicle" of February 28, traverses some of Mr. Lance's suggestions. These are of particular interest to producers and shippers at the present juncture, seeing that the season is just now opening. Mr. Lance suggested that in deference to the opinions of some dealers hares might be packed lying down, and not hung, and that a trial shipment should be packed in this way. The authority referred to, however, thinks that this would not succeed. The soft hares—full of paunch—would be so close together that it would be difficult to remove the animal heat sufficiently quickly from such a mass when only the outside (and that a non-conductor) is exposed to the lower temperature. The report refers to Hungarian hares as coming packed in shavings, but here it is pointed out that the distance that the produce has to travel is very much shorter, it not even requiring to be frozen. Recent experience has gone to prove the necessity for packing the hares in a very fresh condition. Hares are not eviscerated until they are skinned preparatory to cooking, and it appears that the herbivorous food with which the paunches are filled can only be kept for a certain time, after which, no matter how evenly the temperature may have been kept, the decomposition which was for the time being arrested in the paunches of the dead animals recommences, and putrefactive fermentation is set up. This goes on to destruction of the carcases. Hares were recently taken out of cold store in London which 16 months earlier when they were put in were in good quality and condition. These were still quite hard frozen in the flesh, but fermentation had set up in the intestines, the belly had gone quite soft, and the whole carcase had become tainted. This is a new form of danger confined to the hare trade, and which has only recently come under notice through enforced prolonged storage. It is thought in London that the prices are not likely to improve. There are still many hundreds of crates of hares on which New South Wales drew 1s 6d each 16 months ago, and which cost the owners just upon 3s each, which are now perfectly worthless, and even if they were perfection as far as quality is concerned they would not realise more than 1s 6d each in bulk. One house lost between £500 and £600 in the trade through badly-packed, inferior-quality hares being shipped to them. Many merchants have resolved not to advance 1d on hares, so badly have they been caught. Evidently only the best quality is wanted in London, and shippers should remark this, or they may regret it.

London Market for Australian Rabbits.—Mr. C. Tabor, writing under date London, March 14, states:—"Rabbit trade is far from being good; those who have bought to arrive appear anxious to get out, even at a loss. This makes prices very weak. There are a good many rabbits to arrive, and holders seem to fear a repetition of two years ago, when heavy stocks were carried over through the summer, the demand practically ceasing from April till the middle of August. The system of branding as 'second quality' rabbits which only differ from the rest in point of size is causing considerable trouble to dealers. Two ships are due, the Afric, with 7500 crates, and the Arcadia, with 3340 crates. This season's hares are still selling at 18s per dozen, and a few of the old stock are being liquidated at from 16s to 12s; their cost up to date, inclusive of storage, is about 39s per dozen."

Wool Receipts (Monday).—By rail 37 bales arrived and coastwise 352 bales.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

The demand for wheat was fairly active to-day. 3s 8d to 3s 8½d is obtainable. The inquiry comes mostly from local millers. Flour also is passing rather more freely; £11 15s to £12 is obtainable. Bran and pollard are very firm, the former 1s 3d and the latter 1s 7½d. There is inquiry for corn sacks, and business is pending at 4s 9d. Fifteen bales of woolpacks have sold, also several lines of barbed and fencing wire at late rates.

PRODUCE MARKETS.—Monday.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

A moderate amount of business was done in most departments of general produce to-day. The markets were generally quiet in tone, the approach of the end of the month being responsible for their dulness. Apart from a fall in maize and a rise in straw, movements in prices were few and of little importance. Owing to the good stocks on the spot, coupled with the arrivals since Friday last, the market for maize ruled much easier, 4s 3d being the top price of choicest samples. Inferior and soft maize was going off as low as 4s a bushel. Oats had a fair amount of attention, especially choice bright feed samples, which were scarce. In barley, peas, and chick-wheat no alteration occurred. Both bran and pollard moved off steadily at the prices quoted. A fair turnover was noted in all varieties of chaff at values on a par with those ruling at the close of last week. Under the hammer choice local descriptions fetched up to £7 per ton. Since Friday last 143 bales of lucerne hay arrived by boat from the Hunter River, five truck loads coming forward by rail. At auction sales were good at fair prices, while on the wharfs the inquiry was brisk, stocks being light. Straw was dearer, £3 being wanted for prime samples. Oaten hay continued scarce and dear. Potatoes and onions moved off moderately well at late prices. Turnips were a trifle firmer, up to 60s being quoted for best. In dairy produce a fair amount of business was done in most lines. Eggs moved off fairly well, especially choice lots. Prime butter had good sale, other varieties being slow. Bacon, cheese, and poultry moved off steadily at unchanged rates.

Wholesale quotations were:—

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Market quiet. Stocks good. Pasteurised 1s 0½d, best factory 1s, a few choice brands ½d extra, good 11½d, inferior from 9d lb.

Bacon and Hams.—Quiet.—Hand cured, best 9d to 9½d, fancy brands to 10½d, flitches 9½d, fancy 10d to 10½d, middles 11 to 1s; York Castle lid-cured brands sides 10d, flitches 10d middles 1s; Pineapple, sides 10d, middle 1s 0½d; Bodalla, sides 10d, flitches 10d, and middle 1s lb.; Hicks, sides 10d flitches 10d; Eclipse, sides 10d; Victorian, 10½d. Hams: Local hams in cloth to small weights to 1s 1d; New Zealand, 1s 6d; Pineapple, 1s 1d; York Castle, 1s; Eclipse, 1s 1d; Bodalla, 1s; English, 1s 1d lb.

Cheese.—Market steady. Local, choice to 8d, medium to 7½d, inferior 7d, large choice 7½d, Kameruka Cheddar 9d, Bodalla 8d, Victorian 7½d to 8d lb.

Eggs.—Local: Northern eggs, inferior 1s 5d, best 1s 6d to 1s 7d; South, 1s 8d, odd lots 1s 9d; suburban new-laid eggs, 2s to 2s 3d; Adelaide, 1s 6d; dipped eggs, 1s 6d doz.

FEED GRAIN MARKET.

Oats.—Steady sale. Tasmania 2s 7d to 2s 9d, prime 2s 9d to 2s 10d; New Zealand, prime 2s 10s, good to 2s 9d, inferior and dark from 2s 6d; milling 3s bus.

Barley.—English, 4s 3d to 4s 4d; Cape, 4s 3d to 4s 4d bus.

Maize.—Local: Cheaper. New white, best 4s 1d to 4s 2d, other qualities cheaper; best red, quoted 4s 3d, soft and inferior from 4s bus.

Peas.—Grey 4s 9d, blue (N.Z.) 7s 6d to 7s 9d bus.

Chickwheat.—Steady sale. 4s 10d to 5s 1d bus.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran was quoted at 1s 3d, pollard at 1s 5d to 1s 5½d bus.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: Circulars, best, £3 5s, others from £3 ton.

WOOD MARKET.

Best foot wood 12s 6d to 13s 3d, good 12s to 11s 6d, inferior from 8s to 9s 6d; bundles, 9s to 10s 6d; bakers' split 9s to 10s 6d, inferior 8s to 9s; large bakers' 7s 6d to 8s ton.

FORAGE MARKET.

Oaten Hay.—Local: Prime to £7, medium to £6 10s, inferior from £5. Victorian: Prime manger, £6 15s, derrick, £6; Tasmanian, choice £6 ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Wharf, prime £4 15s to £5, good £4 10s, soft, new green £3 10s to £4 5s. Railway: Small bales, choice £5 10s to £6, medium to £5; trusses, prime £5 to £5 10s; large bales, medium £5, prime to £5 10s ton.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed: Tasmania, £3. Local: Railway, nominal.

Chaff.—Local: Prime to £7, medium to £6 10s 6d, inferior from £5 15s. Adelaide: £6 15s, choice green wheaten £7. Victorian: £6 7s 6d, choice £6 10s to £6 12s 6d. Tasmanian: £6, choice £6 5s; straw makes, oaten £3 10s to £3 15s, wheaten £3 5s to £3 10s ton.

POULTRY.

Poultry: Steady. Fowls 2s 6d, choice 3s to 3s 6d; roosters, ordinary 3s 6d, choice heavy to 4s 3d; English river ducks, 3s to 3s 6d; Muscovy ducks, river 3s 6d to 4s, drakes 4s to 4s 6d; geese, 5s to 6s; turkeys, gobblers small young 5s 6d to 7s, old 8s to 10s, good to 11s 6d, choice 13s, hens 5s to 7s; guinea fowls, 4s to 4s 6d pair.

GAME.

Rabbits.—Plentiful. Fair sale. Choice 7s, small from 4s dozen pairs. Hares, 12s to 15s dozen pairs.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Onions.—Steady. Victorian, choice £3 10s, others £3 5s ton.

Beeswax.—1s 1d, extra choice 1s 2d lb.

Honey.—Choice 3½d, good to 3d, inferior from 2½d, for tins cont. many 60lb.

Lard.—Bladder, 7½d to 8d, bulk 6d to 6½d, American 6½d to 7d.

Turnips.—Tasmanian, best £3, others from £2 ton.

REDFERN SALES.

At the Redfern railway terminus markets this morning a fairly good supply of produce was forward for sale, chaff comprising the major portion of the offerings. There was a large attendance of buyers, who operated with a considerable amount of freedom in most lines. The market for chaff remained firm, sales being good for all descriptions. Choice green samples made to 7s, good medium to 6s 7d, and inferior 6s. Fancy green oaten straw chaff realised to 6s 3d, ordinary prime lots going at from 4s 9d a cwt. The inquiry for lucerne hay continued brisk at firm prices. Prime in small bales sold at 5s 10d to 6s, the same quality in large bales going at 5s 5d to 5s 6d a cwt. Choice rack oaten hay moved off at 7s, inferior in large bales going at 3s 5d cwt. Pumpkins were offered without leading to business.

The offerings comprised 23 truckloads chaff, 2 oaten hay, 5 lucerne hay, and 1 pumpkins.

Among the consignees were:—Messrs. H. M. Suttor and Co., Bertram and Co., Ellis and Co., Dent and Perry, Dalgety and Co., Sheppard, Harvey, and Walker, J. Bell and Co., J. Bridge and Co., Farmers and Settlers' Co-operative Society, R. Little and Co., R. Hall and Son, H. Prescott and Co.

Supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From C. C. and Co., Moree, (truck No. 861) 7s; R. J. Ditton, Black Mountain, (4382) 6s; J. B. Gilmour, (2091) 6s 6d; G. M. Simpson, Stonehenge, (4449) and (7470) passed; J. Ford, Llangothlin, (1961) 6s 9d; J. Nowland, Glencoe, (12109) passed, (3523) 6s 11d; Lynn, (4103) and (7264) passed; Order, Ben Lomond, (X35) 5s 9d and 7s, (4073) 6s 6d, (11920) passed; J. H. and Co., Armidale, (7004) and (1483) passed; Murphy, Walcha-road, (11206) 6s 9d; G. Perkins, Glen Innes, (11439) passed; G. Souter, (2395) passed, Histien, (11438) 6s 6d; J. Maloney, Guyra, (12276) 7s; Tosh Brothers, (12227) 6s 7d; G. Burey, Guyra, (9215) passed (6793) 6s 3d cwt.

Lucerne.—From Nicholson, Lochinvar, (7946) 5s 9d, (7719) 5s 6d; Murray Brothers, Brewongle, (X355) 5s 10d; Grainger and Falkiner, Singleton, (3306) 6s; O'Mara, Newcastle, (8089) 5s 6d; oaten hay 5s 5d cwt.

Oaten Hay.—From S. Crocker, Perth, (3490) 7s; J. O'Mara, Newcastle, (8087) 5s 5d cwt.

Pumpkins.—From J. Hutchison, Glen Innes, (1436) passed.

FRUIT MARKETS.

At the various metropolitan markets this morning fair supplies of most varieties of seasonable fruits were under offer. Business in all lines continued steady at about last week's closing rates.

Current quotations were:—

Bananas.—Fiji 3s to 6s bunch, 12s to 14s case; Queensland 3s to 5s bunch, 9s to 10s case.

Apples.—Tasmanian, Ribstone 3s 6d to 6s 6d, Alexanders 4s 6d to 5s 6d, Alfristone 5s 6d, Scarlet Pearmains 5s to 6s, French Crabs 6s to 7s, Adam's Permains 5s 6d to 6s 6d, Crow Eggs 5s to 6s, inferior sorts 4s, Jonathans 6s to 6s 6d; Crow Eggs, 4s 6d to 5s; Victorian Jonathans, 5s to 7s; Fameuse, 5s to 6s case.

Oranges.—Local, second crop 3s to 4s, good 6s, choice 7s to 8s gin-case.

Passionfruit.—Prime to 14s, good to 10s, inferior from 4s gin-case, choice 7s to 7s 6d half-case.

Persimmons.—1s 6d to 2s 6d, good to 4s, choice 5s to 6s half-case.

Plums.—Tasmanian Sydney lates, 3s to 4s quarter-case.

Cocoanuts.—Choice 7s 6d to 8s 6d bag.

Pears.—Local, 2s 6d to 3s, good to 4s, choice to 5s gin-case; Melbourne Beurre de Cap, 5s to 5s; Winter Nelis, 5s to 6s packer; Tasmanian 5s 6d to 7s; Napoleon, 3s to 3s quarter-case.

Pineapples.—Common, 4s to 5s; Queens, 6s to 7s, extra choice 7s 6d case.

Lemons.—Small to 4s, medium to 5s, good to 6s, choice to 7s gin-case; Italian, 11s to 12s half-case, 24s double case; American, 16s to 17s double case.

Quinces.—3s to 4s, choice 5s gin-case; Victorian, 6s to 7s double case.

Preserving Melons.—2s to 4s, extra large 5s doz.

Tomatoes.—Local, 3s to 3s 6d, good to 4s 6d, choice 5s half-case; Tasmanian, 6s to 7s bushel-case.

Mandarins.—Second crop Emperors small 2s 6d to 3s, good 4s, prime to 5s, Thorates 5s to 6s, prime to 8s, extra choice to 10s half-case.

STOCK TRUCKINGS.

The following truckings were ordered up to 5 p.m. on Monday:—For Thursday, April 30, 215 sheep vans and 67 cattle waggons. For Monday, May 4, 86 sheep vans and 112 cattle waggons.

FAT STOCK SALES.

HOMEBUSH YARDS.—Monday.

SHEEP.

About 14,124 sheep and lambs penned at to-day's sales from 47 consignors. The sheep mainly comprised good, useful merino wethers, with occasional pens of prime, and a sprinkling of medium and light; not many ewes forward; crossbreds were rather scarce, those penned included one or two lots of prime. There was a full attendance of buyers, including graziers and agents, who operated for re-stocking purposes; as the supply was well within requirements the market opened firm for all descriptions, improving as the sales progressed, especially for prime merino wethers, closing strong. Quotations: prime merino wethers 14s to 15s, extra prime merino wethers 16s to 17s 6d, good merino wethers 12s to 13s, medium merino wethers 8s 6d to 10s 6d, prime crossbred wethers 15s to 16s, a few extra prime to 18s 6d, good crossbred wethers 13s to 14s; medium crossbred wethers 9s 6d to 10s 6d, prime merino ewes 11s 6d to 12s 6d, extra prime to 13s 6d, good merino ewes 9s to 10s, medium merino ewes 7s to 8s, prime crossbred ewes 13s 6d to 14s 6d, extra prime 15s 6d to 16s 9d, good crossbred ewes 11s to 12s, medium crossbred ewes 8s 6d to 10s. Sales:—

Weaver and Perry.—138 wethers for Northern agents, at 12s 7d, 348 at 11s 6d to 11s 10d, 80 at 10s 9d; 96 wethers for Sawers and Wilson, Boggabri, at 14s 3d, 341 at 13s 1d to 15s 4d, 60 at 11s 3d; 127 wethers for M. A. Dempsey, Tarago, at 12s 6d, 38 at 10s 11d; 285 wethers for C. Rice, Narromine, at 12s 1d to 12s 3d, 121 at 11s to 11s 3d; 50 wethers for R. Carter, Narromine, at 12s 9d, 48 at 10s 11d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—784 wethers for A. A. Company, Willow Tree, at 13s 6d, 115 at 14s 9d; 487 wethers for Wallallow Estate, Walcha-road, at 12s 5d, 81 at 13s 1½d to 14s; 207 crossbred ewes for F. Campbell, Queanbeyan, at 13s 1d, 12 at 14s, 211 at 10s 8d, 14 crossbred wethers at 10s 6d; 54 wethers and ewes for J. Wellsmore, jun., Cooma, at 9s 9d, 31 at 9s; 59 wethers and ewes for J. Wellsmore, sen., Cooma, at 10s 11d, 33 at 9s 2d; 71 wethers for Mrs. Martin, Wellington, at 11s 1d, 31 wethers and ewes at 9s 9d; 152 wethers for Western agents, Wellington, at 10s 7d, 55 wethers and ewes at 10s.

New Zealand Loan and M. A. Co., Ltd.—29 wethers for G. Matchett from Budgeree, at 15s, 101 at 13s, 62 at 12s 9d; 32 wethers for S. Taylor, Cooma, at 11s 2d, 113 at 11s 6d, 226 at 10s 9d, 30 at 10s, 67 at 9s 9d to 9s 9d.

J. C. Young and Co.—140 wethers for Coffey Brothers, Cooma, at 11s 11d, 251 at 10s 2d; 42 wethers for estate late F. Clarke, Cooma, at 12s 11d, 24 at 10s 9d, 35 ewes at 9s 1d.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—111 wethers for J. M'Master, Quirindi, at 17s 6d, 256 at 16s, 14 at 15s 2d, 141 ewes at 13s 6d to 15s 7d, 28 at 12s 9d; 260 wethers for Southern agents at 14s 6d to 14s 7d, 393 at 12s 7d, 98 at 11s 1d; 50 ewes for J. H. Marshall, Woodstock, at 11s 7d, 153 at 11s 5d, 104 at 10s 7d; 10 crossbred wethers for A. Judd, Millthorpe, at 11s, 34 wethers at 10s 5d, 57 ewes at 8s 1d; 98 wethers for R. Lang, Woodstock, at 11s 11d, 64 at 10s 10d; 78 wethers for Western agents, Millthorpe, at 10s 10d, 46 at 10s 2d; 284 ewes for J. Grant, Woodstock, at 10s 6d, 93 at 10s 1d.

Maiden Brothers.—64 wethers for J. Frape, Millthorpe, at 13s 9d, 36 at 12s; 67 crossbred wethers for C. Blunt, Millthorpe, at 13s 1d, 53 at 11s 9d, 56 wethers at 11s 2d, 20 at 12s, 74 ewes at 9s 5d to 9s 6d, 42 at 8s 1d; 140 wethers for H. Leighton, Eugharenna, at 10s 9d, 72 at 9s 7d.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—148 wethers for R. Hitchen, Gilgandra, at 13s 11d, 108 at 12s 8d to 12s 9d, 96 wether hoggets at 10s 2d; 78 wethers for M. Brady, Stewart Town, at 12s 3d, 129 at 10s 9d; 81 wethers for A. Peden, Michelago, at 13s 2d, 85 rams at 12s 4d, 12 wethers at 10s 8d; 75 wethers for D. M'Donald, Goulburn, at 11s 1d, 11 ewes at 10s 4d, 29 wethers at 10s 4d; 4 crossbred wethers for F. C. Willis, Camden, at 11s 11d, 70 wethers at 10s 1d, 62 at 9s 2d; 601 wethers for Litchfield Brothers, Cooma, at 12s 7d, 266 at 11s 1d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—126 crossbreds for Maharatta estate, Cooma, at 18s, 450 merinos at 14s 6d; 134 wethers for Rosebrook estate, Cooma, at 15s to 15s 1d, 20 at 13s 8d, 120 ewes at 14s, 24 at 8s 6d; 50 wethers for Southern agents, at 13s 9d, 26 ewes at 9s 7d; 330 wethers for Garnock Brothers, Cooma at 13s 4d to 13s 5d, 129 at 11s 9d, 22 rams at 9s; 228 wethers for E. Pratt, Cooma, at 13s, 21 at 12s 5d, 116 ewes at 11s 4d to 11s 6d; 102 wethers for Southern Agents at 13s, 141 ewes at 11s 6d to 12s, 26 wethers at 11s, 67 ewes at 11s 10d, 85 at 8s; 11 crossbred ewes for Southern agents at 12s 7d, 9 wethers at 10s, 91 ewes at 8s 5d; 177 ewes for J. and L. M. Clifford, Cooma, at 8s 7d, 136 at 7s.

Warden Harry Graves and Son.—155 wethers for J. H. Baird, Cooma, at 10s 11d to 11s 1d, 63 ewes at 10s 9d, 40 at 10s 1d, 47 at 9s 11d to 10s, 40 wethers at 10s 11d, 52 at 13s.

Wilkinson and Lavender.—9 wethers for J. Noonan at 13s, 39 ewes at 7s 1d.

LAMBS.

A moderate supply of lambs, principally good trade sorts with a few lots of light and medium. Competition dull and values easier. Good lambs 9s 6d to 10s 9d, medium lambs 8s 6d to 9s.

Weaver and Perry.—35 lambs for W. J. Edmunds, Tarago, at 10s 3d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—13 lambs for J. Wellsmore, jun., at 8s 7d, 8 at 6s 6d to 10s 9d; 8 lambs for J. Wellsmore, sen., at 9s 4d.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—28 (mixed) for J. H. Marshall at 10s 7d to 13s; 47 lambs for R. Lang at 10s 4d; 18 lambs for A. Judd at 10s 2d to 10s 3d, 12 hoggets at 10s, 29 lambs at 7s 3d.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—4 lambs for Southern agents at 7s 6d, 47 at 9s, 209 at 8s 6d, 48 at 8s; 10 lambs for Southern agents at 8s 7d, 16 at 7s 9d.

Warden Harry Graves and Son.—89 lambs for J. H. Baird at 10s 9d, 25 at 9s 7d.

Wilkinson and Lavender.—79 lambs for J. Noonan at 11s 1d, 108 at 8s 10d, 26 at 7s 5d.

CATTLE.

Upwards of 762 cattle yarded, representing 34 consignors, mainly from the northern and southern districts, with odd lot from the west and local sources. The yardings comprised all qualities, and included a better representation of prime and heavy bullocks than on the last two or three sale days; the bulk of the bullocks were good, useful handy weights, with a sprinkling of prime; about 240 cows and heifers mainly fair to good, with a few prime; 22 calves and a few bulls also forward. There was a full attendance of buyers, and as the supply was rather below requirements the market opened to active competition at a rise of 10s per head on last Thursday's reduced rates. As the sales progressed competition slackened and values receded somewhat, closing hardly so strong as at the opening. Quotations:—Yards of prime bullocks £10 10s to £11 10s, yards of prime and heavy bullocks to £12 15s, odd extra prime and heavy bullocks to £14 2s 6d, yards of good bullocks £8 10s to £9 10s, yards of medium bullocks £5 10s to £6 10s, yards of light and inferior bullocks and steers £4 to £4 10s; yards of prime cows £7 to £7 10s, odd choice beasts to £9 15s, yards of good cows £5 10s to £6 10s, yards of medium cows and heifers £3 10s to £5. Best beef realised 30s to 32s per 100lb.

Weaver and Perry.—53 bullocks for H. White, Rylstone, to £10 10s, averaging £9 2s 4d; 8 steers for Southern agents, Tarago, at £7 5s, 17 cows to £7 12s, averaging £7 5s; 4 bullocks for J. M'Callum, Goulburn, to £12, averaging £10 15s 3d, 7 cows to £7, averaging £6 8s; 13 cows for Southern agents, Crookwell, to £5 12s, averaging £5 0s 1d.

Maiden Brothers.—10 steers for J. J. O'Brien, Newbridge at £8 10s; 11 steers for W. S. Suttor, Ilford, at £7, 9 heifers to £6 5s, averaging £6 1s 10d.

Farmers and Settlers' Co-operative Society, Limited.—2 bullocks for J. Witherspoon, Glencoe, at £9 2s, 8 cows and heifers to £7 2s, averaging £7 0s 6d, 1 heifer at £3 19s.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—5 bullocks for P. B. Eddy, Reedy Creek at £11 17s 6d, 5 at £7 11s, 10 steers to £8 3s, averaging £6 8s 7d, 6 cows and heifers to £7 7s, averaging £6 6s, 1 bull at £6 9s; 24 bullocks for J. Taylor, Tuthra, to £12 5s, averaging £10 8s 9d, 8 cows and heifers to £8 12s, averaging £5 10s 6d; 29 bullocks and steers for Bakewell Brothers, St. Aubins to £10 15s, averaging £8 14s, 8 cows to £7 6s, averaging £6 19s, 7 steers at £6 6s; 17 bullocks for J. M'Intosh, Roslyn, to £8 14s, averaging £7 17s 9d, 11 cows to £7, averaging £6 5s 3d, 1 steer at £4 13s, 1 heifer at £4 13s; 24 cows and heifers for Litchfield Brothers, Cooma, to £8 7s, averaging £5 11s 10d; 3 heifers for Tonor Brothers, Millthorpe, at £4 5s; 6 steers for W. Marriott, Millthorpe, to £5 5s averaging £4 4s, 4 cows and heifers to £5 2s, averaging £3 18s, 1 calf at £1 15s, 1 cow, local owner, at £4 12s.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—28 bullocks for Maharatta Estate, to £10 7s, averaging £9 13s 2d, 2 bulls to £7, averaging £6 8s 9d; 17 bullocks for J. and L. M. Clifford to £8 19s, averaging £8 8s 9d, 4 cows at £7 5s; 41 bullocks for G. Cruickshank and Co. to £8 12s, averaging £7 17s, 8 cows at £8 6s; 12 cows for J. Rogers to £8 15s, averaging £7 0s 6d; 1 bullock for M. King at £8, 11 cows to £5 18s, averaging £5 12s 6d; 12 cows for T. Armstrong to £5 18s, averaging £5 16s 6d.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—11 bullocks for W. Gale to £14 2s 6d, averaging £13 0s 5d; 2 bullocks for G. Hennessy to £12 17s 6d, averaging £12, 3 at £9 7s, 3 cows at £7 13s; 10 bullocks for M. Bartley to £13 3s 6d, averaging £10 14s 3d, 31 bullocks and steers to £8 14s averaging £7 11s, 5 cows to £9 15s, averaging £8 11s 7d; 28 bullocks for J. Chirnside to £11 3s 6d, averaging £10 3s 9d, 7 cows at £6 16s; 55 bullocks for White Brothers to £9 10s, averaging £8 15s 9d; 7 bullocks for S. M. Kelly at £4 16s, 7 cows at £4 13s; 1 cow for Mrs. Gannon at £4 17s; 1 calf for P. Faheye at £3 1ss; 15 calves for D. Campbell to £3 5s, averaging £1 10s 1d.

William Inglis and Son.—10 cows and heifers for E. J. Block to £6 1s, averaging £4 12s 11d, 1 bull at £5 8s; 7 cows and heifers for Western agents to £5 13s, averaging £3 10s 7d, 2 bulls to £6 6s, averaging £5 10s 8d; 2 cows for local owner to £4 1s, averaging £3 18s 6d.

J. C. Young and Co.—30 bullocks for R. G. Hassall to £12 13s, averaging £11 11s 9d; 33 bullocks for E. M. Royds to £9 10s, averaging £8 18s 10d; 20 cows and heifers for T. Davy to £4 15s, averaging £4 8s 9d, 1 heifer at £3 15s, 7 steers at £3.

WEST MAITLAND, Monday.

The fat stock sales were held at Campbell's Hill to-day. A large supply was forward, and the demand somewhat dull, with values easier. Best bullocks made £11 8s to £12 2s; good, £9 18s to £10 17s; light and medium, £8 8s to £8 17s; cows, best, £9 4s to £9 18s; good, £7 10s to £8 5s; others, £3 14s to £6 15s. Calves. A fairly large supply was forward and biddings for prime quality were brisk. Prime heifer vealers made £4 10s to £6; good, 60s to 73s; small and medium, 17s 6d to 48s. Sheep. A large supply was penned. Competition was risk for prime, and values were firm at late rates. Best crossbred wethers made 17s 9d to 19s; others, 15s 11d to 17s 5d; ewes, best, 16s 11d to 17s 5d; seconds, 15s 4d to 16s 5d; merino wethers, 14s 5d to 15s 8d; ewes, best, 13s; others, 9s to 11s 8d; lambs, 11s 9d to 12s 3d. Pigs.—A fair supply was forward, and the demand was very brisk. Values were considerably in advance of last week's rates. Heavy baconers made 75s to 84s; light, 55s to 65s; heavy porkers, 33s 6d to 39s; light, 24s to 29s 6d; stores and slips, large 18s 6d to 21s, small 12s 6d to 14s 3d; suckers, 7s.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

The week's market opened with a better all-round feeling, especially as regards Gympie and Charters Towers gold shares, in which the bulk of the business was transacted. A feature in this direction was the strengthening of South Glanmire and Monkland to 30s but owing to profit-taking the stock closed at a shade under that price. Stocks on the Oriental line, although having inquiry throughout the day, failed to show any material improvement. No. 1 North Oriental, upon which a dividend of 6d per share is payable to-day, offered at 32s at the close without buyers coming forward; whilst No. 2 South Great Eastern had free exchange at 71s. Although quotations in Charters Towers stocks were well maintained, the only mine having actual business was Ruby, paid, at the advanced price of 7s 9d. Western Australian stocks continued out of favour, the only transaction recorded being a line of Ivanhoes at £9 15s. For Broken Hill stocks previous firm rates obtained, whilst in other directions there was no material alteration.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.			Day Dawn Gold Mines	12/6	14/
Bellambi	31	—	Marshall's Queen	18/9	20/6
East Greta	27/6	—	Ditto, con.	18/	19/3
Hetton	64/	68/	Mt. Morgan	73	81/
Newcastle	17.0	—	N. Columbia and Smithfield No. 1, old	3/3	4/3
Vale of Clwydd	20/3	—	Ditto, new	2/4	—
Wallsend	36/0	36/10/	North Columbia No. 2	4/4	4/11
Wickham and Bullock Island	1/6	2/6	N'th Oriental and Glanmire No. 1	—	32
Ditto, preferential, £1 pd.	4/6	7/6	N'th Oriental and Glanmire No. 2	2/7	8/
COPPER.			No. 1 North Phoenix	1/2	1/9
Cobar Chesney	4d	—	No. 6 North Phoenix	6d	—
Crowl Creek, con.	7/	8/3	N. Smithfield	—	6/
Girilambone Mining	—	2/6	No. 1 North Smithfield	—	10/
Great Cobar	80/	—	No. 1 North Victory	—	2
Mount Garnet Freehold	—	9d	No. 2 North Victory	—	8d
TIN.			Oriental and Columbia Consolidated	1/	1/5
Briseis	—	8/	Oriental Consols	—	14/
Smith's Creek Proprietary	16/3	17/3	Ditto, con.	—	11
SILVER. New South Wales.			Oriental and Glanmire	—	20/
Broken Hill Proprietary	34/	34/6	Ditto, con.	—	19/
Block 10	33	34/6	Oriental Extended	5/3	—
Block 14	4/4	4/9	Papuan	7/6	—
Ditto, preference	—	5/6	Queen Central	19/9	20/9
B.H. Junction	4/4	4/8	Ditto, con.	16/9	17/9
Junction Nth.	1/6	2/	Queen Central Block	—	7/
North Broken	10/3	10/9	Queen Cross Reef	52	54/
B. H. South	23	24	Smithfield and P. Golden Pile	3/	4
Ditto, con.	—	15/	South Glanmire and Monkland	29/3	30/3
B. H. South Blocks	—	5/2	South Great Eastern No. 2	70/9	72/
Sulphide Corporat'n	—	5/9	South Oriental and Glanmire No. 1	15/	16/
Tasmania.			Vesuvius	14/	16/3
Mount Lyell	—	55	Victoria G.M. Association	3/	—
North Mount Lyell	—	25	Victoria and Caledonia Block	10/6	11/6
GOLD. New South Wales, &c.			Ditto, con.	9/6	10/3
Baker's Creek	—	6/	Victoria and Queen Extended	—	1/
Lachlan Goldfields	7/	9/	Western Australia.		
Mount David	9d	1/0	Associated	40/	—
Mt. Drysdale	—	9d	Ditto Northern Blocks	62/6	65/
Occidental	7/6	—	Chaffer's	5/	6/
Peak Hill	6d	—	Great Boulder	21/6	22/6
Ditto, con.	4d	—	Ditto Main Reef	—	15
Sunlight	9d	1/7	Gt. Boulder Persever'ce	12/5	12/17/6
Woodlark Island	—	2/6	Hainault	15/6	—
Ditto, con.	—	1/6	Ivanhoe	9/13	9/18/9
Young Australian	6d	—	Kalgurli, London register	92/6	92/6
Dredging and Sluicing Companies.			Kalgurli South, London register	—	26/6
Araluen Central	9/	10/	Lake View Consols, L.R.	32/6	35
Ditto, con.	8/	9/	Ditto, Share Warrants	32/6	35
Araluen Valley Consolidated	3/6	—	Lake View South	—	3/
Associated Gold Dredg.	—	3/6	Oroya Brown Hill	58/9	62/
Buckland River	—	2/9	Paringa Consolidated	3/	4/6
Cope's Creek	8/6	9/6	Queensland Menzies	5/9	9/3
Federal Centrifugal	1/3	1/7	Queen Margaret	4/6	5/6
Jembaicumbene Middle Ground	7	8	Victory United	4d	—
Victoria.					
Bendand Loch United	1/9	2/6			
Queensland.					
Band of Hope	20/	—			
Bonnie Dundee	12/	13			
Brilliant Central	66/	70/			
Brilliant Extended	20/	22/6			
Ditto, con.	18/	18/6			
Brilliant St. George	23/6	25/6			
Ditto, con.	21/	22/3			
Clark's Brilliant Worcester, &c.	—	2/6			
Columbia Extended	1/2	—			
East Oriental and Glanmire	6/	7/3			

EXCHANGE SALES.

The Mining market was dull, business being on a restricted scale in most ventures:—The following sales were reported:—Forenoon—On 'Change: North Broken Hill, 10s 6d; No. 2 North Oriental, 2s 9d; Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, £9 15s; Wallsend Coal, £36 5s. Later: South Glanmire and Monkland, 30s; No. 2 North Oriental, 2s 9d; Ruby, paid, 7s 9d. Noon: No. 2 South Great Eastern, 71s; Cobar Chesney, 6d. Later: No. 2 North Columbia, 4s 8d; East Greta, paid, 23s 6d. Afternoon: No. 2 South Great Eastern, 71s. Later: North Broken Hill, 10s 6d; Queen Margaret, 4s 9d; Smithfield and Phoenix Golden Pile, 3s 3d, South Glanmire and Monkland 29s 9d.

MINING IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

PAMBULA, Monday.

Mining matters are looking up considerably here. The tributers at Falkner's mine have now over 50 hands employed, and expect to engage a much larger number shortly when the mine is got into full working order. At present Falkner's and Harrison's old shafts are being worked, and the best stone is being shipped to Sydney pending the completion of the crushing plant on the spot. Very rich ore is being raised at present.

HILLGROVE DIVISION.

HILLGROVE, Monday.

Baker's Creek G.M. Co.—The mine manager reports for the week ended April 24 that since resuming crushing on the 2nd instant 458 tons of stone have been treated for a yield of 355oz. of smelted gold; 12 tons of concentrates have also been saved, estimated to contain 50oz. of gold, making a total return of 405oz. of gold, without taking into consideration that saved on the copper plates. Plenty water has been available for crushing, and the creek is still running slightly. In mine at No. 15 level chamber set put in and chamber made secure; well hole will now be decked over and flat sheets laid down, after which crosscutting for No. 1 reef will be started. Driving on Smith's reef (south) and No. 3 reef (north) at No. 14 level continued, and fair progress made. Good progress also made with winze on Smith's reef to No. 14 level. Work being carried on back of 8, 9, and 10 levels north, on Smith's reef, and back of No. 14 level on Nos. 1 and 2 reefs.

New Hillgrove Proprietary Mines, Limited.—The mine manager reports for week ended April 24 that timbering has been completed in shaft for 23ft., total 796ft. Sinking resumed. No. 5 level driven 11ft., total 471ft. Only one shift daily was worked in this tunnel. Rise from No. 4 to No. 3 level advanced 4ft., total 51ft. Contractors on both tram lines making good headway. Excavations for tram engine is completed; concrete foundations for piers under winding drum also completed and brickwork started. Sunlight Company will start to crush for tributers about Tuesday, the 28th.

INTER-STATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

The following sales and quotations were recorded on the Stock Exchange:—Broken Hill 34s 6d, 34s 9d, 34s 7½d, 34s 9d, b 34s 9d, s 35s; Block 14, 4s 6d, b 4s 4d; British (old), b 10s, s 10s 9d; ditto (new), b 7s 9d, s 8s 4d; Block 10, b 34s, s 35s; Junction, 4s 5d, b 4s 5d, s 4s 6d; North, b 10s 3d, s 10s 6d; South, paid, b 23s, s 24s 3d; Junction North, 1s 9d, b 1s 9d, s 1s 10d; Sulphides (ordinary), b 5s 6d, s 5s 8d; Associated (colonial), 41s 3d, 41s, b 41s 9d, s 42s; Associated Northern (London), 63s 9d; (colonial), 64s, 64s 6d, 64s 3d, b 64s, s 64s 3d; Cumberland, contributing, 1s 0½d, 1s 3d, b 1s 2d, s 1s 3d; Great Boulder, 22s 3d, 22s 4½d, b 22s 3d, s 22s 6d; Hainault (colonial), 17s, 16s 9d, 17s, b 16s 9d; Oroya Brownhill (colonial), b 59s, s 60s; Ivanhoe (colonial), £10, b £9 19s, s £10; Lake View Consols (colonial), 52s 6d, 54s, b 53s 6d, s 54s; Lake View South, paid, 2s 10d, b 2s 8d, s 3s; North Kalgurli, paid, 6s, b 6s 1d, s 6s 2d; Princess Royal, paid, 42s, 42s 6d, b 42s 6d, s 43s 3d; ditto, contributing, 41s 6d, 42s 3d, b 42s 3d, s 42s 6d; ditto, North, contributing, 1s, 1s 2d, b 1s 2d, s 1s 3d; ditto, South, contributing, 1s 1½d, b 1s 1d, s 1s 2d; Queen Margaret, 4s 7d, 4s 9d, 4s 8½d, b 4s 7d, s 4s 9d; South Kalgurli (colonial), b 24s 6d, s 25s 6d; Westralia Waihi, contributing, 1s 2d, b 1s 1d, s 1s 2½d; All Nations, contributing, 6d, 7d, 6½d; Corbin (Prospecting), £14, s £14; Coorong, £7 2s 6d, £6 5s, b £6 2s 6d, s £6 7s 6d; Melba, 80s, 75s, s 80s; M'Donnell No. 1, 35s, b 30s, s 34s; Tarcoola Blocks, 8s 9d, s 8s 10d; Winnecke Junction, £9 5s, £9, £9 5s, £9 2s 6d, £9, £8 15s, b £8 12s 6d, s £9; ditto Proprietary, 86s, 75s, s 80s; ditto Reward, £13 10s, £13, b £12 15s, s £13 5s; Arltunga Gold, b 90s, s £5 5s; Chillagoe, 5s 9d, 5s 8d (small scrips), b 5s 8d, s 5s 10d; Paull's, 20s, b 25s, s 30s; Stannary Hills, 9s 4d, b 9s 3d, s 9s 4d; Smith Creek, 16s 9d, 16s 6d, b 16s 6d, s 16s 9d; Mammoth Anthracite Coal, £46, b £41, s £50; South African Diamonds, b £15 10s, s £18 10s.

BRISBANE, Monday.

Quotations on the Stock Exchange were:—Chillagoes, b 5s 7d, s 5s 8d; Forward, 5s 11d to 6s; Chillagoe Debentures, s £75; Mungana, b 2s 3d, s 2s 8d; Garnets, b 8d, s 10d. Sales: Chillagoes, 5s 8d; Chillagoes (forward), 5s 11d.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Monday.

Quotations on the Stock Exchange to-day were as follows:—Bonnie Dundee, 12s 9d to 13s; Brilliant Central, s 70s; Brilliant Block, s 10s 3d; ditto, paid, b 9s 9d, s 10s 6d; Brilliant Freehold, b 4s, s 4s 6d; ditto, Extended, b 18s 4d, s 18s 9d; ditto, paid, b 20s 6d, s 21s 6d; Clark's B. W. and V., b 1s 2d; ditto, paid, b 1s 10d, s 2s; Craven's Caledonia, N.L., b 4s 2d, s 4s 10d; Columbia G.M. Company, Limited, b 3s, s 3s 4d, Coronation G.M.C., b 6d, s 8d; Currency Lass, b 1s 6d; ditto, paid, b 2s 6d, s 3s; Day Dawn Gold Mines, b 13s 6d, s 14s 6d; Golden Alexandria, contributing, b 8½d, s 9d; ditto, paid, b 2s 3d, s 2s 4d; Grant and Sunset Extended, b 11s, s 11s 6d; ditto, paid, b 12s 3d, s 12s 3d; Grand Junction, b 21s, s 22s; ditto, paid, b 22s; Kelly's Queen Block, buyer 6s; ditto, paid, b 1s 8d, s 1s 11d; Lady Florence, b 6d, s 9d; London G.M.C., b 11s, s 13s; Marshall's Queen, b 17s 6d, s 19s; ditto, paid, b 18s, s 19s 6d; Mills United G. Mines, b 7s 6d, s 8s 6d; Morning Star, b 4s, s 5s; New Caledonia, b 1s 1d, s 1s 3d; New Queen, s 4s; No. 2, S.E. Day Dawn, b 5d, s 8d; Papuan Brilliant and Vic., b 8s; Phoebe, contributing, b 2s 6d, s 2s 11d; Queen Cross Reef, b 51s 6d, s 52s; ditto Extended, b 1s 4d, s 1s 8d; Queen Central, b 16s 6d, s 17s 6d; ditto, paid, b 19s 9d, s 21s; Queen Central Block, b 2s 3d, s 2s 6d; Ruby, contributing, b 7s 1d, s 7s 6d; Ruby United, paid, b 2s 4d; Ruby South, b 1s 2½d, s 1s 3d; ditto, paid, b 2s 2d, s 2s 6d; Victoria and Queen, b 30s, s 33s; Victoria and Caledonia, b 9s 3d, s 10s 3d; Victoria G. M., b 3s 10d, s 4s; Wallis Day Dawn, b 9d, s 9½d; ditto, paid, b 2s 6d, s 2s 9d.

The following sales were recorded:—Coronation G. M. C., 6d; Golden Alexandra, 9d; ditto, paid, 2s 3d; Grant and Sunset Extended, 11s; ditto, paid, 12s 6d to 12s 3d; Grand Junction, 22s 6d to 20s 9d; New Caledonia Tribute, 1s 2d to 1s 3d; Queen Cross, 52s 6d to 52s; Queen Central, 20s; Ruby, contributing, 7s 6d; Ruby South, 1s 3d; Wallis Day Dawn, 9d to 9½d; ditto, paid, 2s 6d.

GYMPIE, Monday.

Sales were recorded on the Stock Exchange to-day as follows:—Columbia Smithfield, 2s 10d; ditto, No. 1 (new), 2s 6½d, 2s 7d; Glanmire and Monkland South, 30s 8d; ditto, Tribute, 7s 4d; Lady Mary, No. 7 South, 7d, 7½d; Oriental Extended, 5s 9d; Phoenix, No. 5 North, 2s 5d; ditto, No. 6 North, 6s; No. 2 North Victory, 7d; Home Rule, 5s, 5s 5d.

Quotations were:—Columbia Smithfield, 2s 8½d, s 2s 10½d; ditto No. 1 (old), b 3s 2d, s 4s 2d, 4s 3d; ditto (new), b 2s 6d, s 2s 8d; ditto No. 2, b 4s 6d, s 4s 9d; ditto Extended, b 1s 8d, s 1s 9d; Glanmire and Monkland, b 30s 6d, s 30s 10d; Glanmire and Monkland Tribute, b 7d, s 7½d; Great Eastern No. 3 South, b 3d, s 4½d; ditto No. 4, b 2d, s 2½d; Eastern and Oriental No. 5 (paid), b 2s 6d, s 7s; Lady Mary, b 6½d, s 7d; Oriental Surprise, b 1s 10d, s 1s 10½d; Oriental and Glanmire (old), b 17s 6d, s 18s 6d; ditto (new), b 16s 3d, s 16s 9d; ditto, No. 2 North, b 2s 8d, s 2s 9½d; ditto, No. 1 South, b 14s, s 15s 9d; ditto, North, b 1s 5d, s 1s 8d; ditto, Extended, con., b 6s 7½d, s 6s 10d; ditto, East, paid, b 6s 7d, s 7s; ditto, East, con., b 5s 1½d, s 5s 4½d; Oriental and Colonial, cons., paid, b 1s 2d, s 1s 6d; ditto, con., b 6d, s 7d; Phoenix No. 5 North, b 2s 4½d, s 2s 6d; ditto, No. 6 North, b 6d, s 7d; ditto, Tribute, b 11d, s 1s; Smithfield and Phoenix Golden Pile, b 3s 0d, s 3s 8d; ditto, North, b 4s 9d, s 5s; ditto, No. 1 North, b 7s, s 5s; Home Rule, b 5s 3d, s 5s 4d.

THE MOUNT LYELL MINES.

NEGOTIATIONS FOR AMALGAMATION.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The news received from London respecting the negotiations between the North Lyell board of directors and Mr. W. Knox, M.P., the representative of the Mount Lyell Company, fails to intimate the point in difference between the parties respecting the proposed amalgamation of the two ventures. No official circular has been sent out by the directors of the Mount Lyell Company, so that the shareholders are still quite in the dark as to what counter proposals were submitted by the North Lyell board. The cable message asserts that there still exists a hope in London that the amalgamation will be carried through, and it must be confessed a similar feeling prevails here. Outside official circles a rumour was current to-day amongst the mining community that the North Lyell board wished to create a much larger company than was contemplated when the negotiations began and to retain a slightly larger number of scrip than would be allotted to the Mount Lyell Company, while in addition it was suggested that a small block of shares should be held in reserve to wipe off the North Lyell debenture debt.

QUEENSTOWN, Monday.

The receipt of official information this morning that the negotiations for the amalgamation of the Mount Lyell and North Lyell companies had been abandoned caused great disappointment at Queenstown, while at Gormanston and Crotty it was productive of a corresponding amount of jubilation. From the workers' point of view generally the abandonment of the negotiations is regarded most favourably, as they hold that had it eventuated the result would have been highly inimical to the interests of labour generally, inasmuch as it would have brought the whole of the field under the control of one big corporation, with the inevitable result that a large number of men would be thrown out of employment owing to the concentration of operations under one head. It is also held that two big companies, each operating on their own basis as mining and smelting concerns, will prevent what would otherwise be a monopoly in regard to the purchase of ores from the outside mines. The almost certain result of the abandonment of the scheme will be that the North Lyell Company will as soon as possible extend their productive operations, which will involve the erection of an enlarged and more effective smelting plant at Crotty, giving permanent employment to a large number of men, and ensuring the keeping open of the North Lyell railway, thus providing two means of access to and transit from the field, instead of only one which would almost certainly have been the case had the amalgamation taken place. In reference to the cause of the negotiations for amalgamation being abandoned, Mr. Sticht states that he has no information to give about the matter. Neither Mr. Muir nor Mr. Mitchell at present know anything more than what has appeared in the press.

THE ARLTUNGA GOLDFIELD.

ADELAIDE, Monday.

A press correspondent at Winnecke's Depot telegraphs that Alfred Crabb, representing the Emu Syndicate, reports having rediscovered and secured the reef found originally by his brother 16 years ago at the time of the ruby rush. An assay has been made, and gave 8oz. of gold to the ton, but the locality is considered too far away to pay. The location is about 15 miles east of Arltunga, near Ruby Gap.

The weather continues very wet all over the field. Work is impeded, but the prospects for the future are considered to be splendid.

The Minister controlling the Northern Territory (Mr. Jenkins) has received a telegram dated April 27 from the Government geologist (Mr. H. Y. L. Brown), in which he says there is no new development at Winneckes, and no further sinking done. The auriferous reefs are still in the prospecting stages, and attention is being paid to the alluvial by the men who lately arrived. Specks of gold are reported to have been found in the gullies below Webb's and Russell's, and there is a good prospect of gold being traced into the deeper ground and other auriferous gullies being found. Gold is still being obtained by Webb and others, and by Russell. There have been good rains at Winneckes and Arltunga; the estimated fall is 5 inches. The creeks at the former place were running on Saturday.

LAUNCESTON, Monday.

The directors of the Western Company have decided to accept the following offer from London for the purchase of their mine:—"That a company be formed consisting of 60,000 shares of £1 each, 20,000 to be held in reserve, and of the remaining 40,000 the Western Company to receive 12,000 fully paid up. The sum of £20,000 in cash to be provided as working capital. There will be a share register in Launceston, and Mr. A. Simson will act as the local agent. The Minister for Mines was waited on by the directors of the Tasmania Company to-day, who asked that the Government Geologist should be allowed to report on the mine immediately. The request was agreed to conditionally upon the company paying the expenses, which the directors consented to do.

RETURNS.

The manager of the Star of the East Mine reports that the contractors have cleaned up 88 tons for 15oz. 14dwt. gold.

The dredge-master of the Jembaicumbene Middle Ground Dredging Company reports for the week ended 25th instant that the return from the dredges' operations was 20oz. 7dwt. 19gr. retorted gold.

The return from the Araluen Valley Consolidated dredge No. 2 for the week ended the 25th instant amounts to 54oz. for 104 hours' work. The operations of the Turon dredge No. 1 for 107 hours resulted in a return of 25oz. of gold.

The Sulphide Corporation, Limited, states that during the week ended the 18th instant the ore milled from the Central Mine, Broken Hill, was 2780 tons, which produced 547 tons of concentrates, which assayed: Silver, 30·3oz. per ton; lead, 60·4 per cent.; zinc, 11·1 per cent.

The manager of the Green Valley Gold-dredging Company, No Liability, reports that the clean-up for the fortnight ended 20th instant was 41oz. 15dwt. retorted gold.

REPORTS.

The manager of the Identity and Hope G.M. Company reports for the fortnight ended April 16.—No. 8, west level, driven 20ft., total 98ft.

The manager of the Brilliant and St. George United G.M. Company reports for the fortnight ended April 15.—No. 7, hanging-wall level, driven 12ft.; reef in and now split up. Stopes over this level are working on from 1ft. to 2ft. of stone. No. 8 hanging-wall stopes: Working on from 1ft. to 2½ft. of stone. No. 10 hanging-wall stope: Working on from 6in. to 15in. of stone. No. 13 crosscut driven 13ft., and east level off this crosscut driven 16ft., making 72ft., with 2ft. of stone in the end. No. 14, east stopes: Working on from 2ft. to 4ft. of stone. No. 15, east level, driven 20ft., making 140ft., with 6ft. of stone in end. Stopes over this level are working on from 4ft. to 8ft. of stone. No. 16, east stopes: Working on from 1ft. to 4ft. of stone. No. 12, west level, driven 14ft., with 1ft. of poor stone in the end. No. 14, west level, driven 10ft., with 3ft. of stone in the end. Stopes over this level are working on 4ft. of stone. No. 15, west stopes: Working on from 2ft. to 7ft. of stone.

The manager of the Parramatta copper mines reports for the fortnight ended April 16:—Shaftsmen extending pumping machinery and other shaft timber work. Sinking resumed early next week. Rise started in back of 120ft. level north; put up 18ft.; lode improved to five tons; 14 per cent. ore per cubic fathom. Rise in back 102ft. level south extended 7ft. 6in.; total, 90ft. 9in.; lode worth three tons, 17 per cent. 72ft. level, south of No. 2 shaft, driven 12ft.; lode worth three tons, 15 per cent. Stopes yielding fair-grade concentrating material. Owing to breakage in mill only 280 tons crude vein stuff treated.

The manager of the Ballarat of New South Wales reports:—North-west drive extended 15ft., road laid up to face and timbered. Lead at present shows no sign of turning back to north. Still 4ft. of wash in face of same quality as last reported. Last of machinery and plant delivered on the ground. Have completed crushing 70 tons, mostly inferior wash, from which was obtained 26½oz. of smelted gold, equal to 7dwt. 15½gr. per ton.

The manager of the Cuprite Tin, Watsonville (Q.), reports to April 6:—Montgomery's shaft: Winze on 114ft. level; driving continued on good ore through large formation; 21ft. below brace formation dips southerly, being followed caused a connection with branch previously worked. Branch west rly at this point shows good ore going ahead and rising. Mill: 16 tons treated, yield 2 tons 12cwt., realised £81 a ton.

The manager of the New Queen reports for fortnight ended April 16:—No. 5 formation: Underlie shaft sunk 30ft.; total 109ft. below No. 6 level and 50ft. below No. 2 level. Formation still mixed with leaders of quartz coming down from hanging wall, which makes it hard to drill. Two men stoping in No. 6 level on eastern side of underlie shaft. Stope shows from 1ft. to 2ft. of stone, carrying fair mineral. No. 2 formation—Lowe and party's: About 25 tons of stope broken. Face shows from 6in. to 10in. of well mineralised stone. Kingsbury and party's: Eight tons broken. Stope shows 4in. stone. Dawson and party's stope shows 4in. stone. Richard and party's stope shows 5in. of stone. No. 1 formation Stevenson and party's: Thirty tons broken. Stope shows from 5in. up to 2ft. of stone. Battie and party's: Forty tons broken. Stope shows 1ft. of stone. Parsons and party's: Twenty-five tons broken. Reef very small, about 3in.

The manager of the Deep Level Mines of Charters Towers Gold Mine reports for the fortnight ended April 18.—Water pumped out of underlie, and both drives, crosscuts, &c., and finished on Friday, April 17. Men now cleaning up underlie, and doing general repairs. Blower and engine put up and working well. 230ft. of 2in. pipes put down, also 200ft. of 10in.; truck road repaired where required.

The manager of the Brilliant Extended Gold-mining Company reports for fortnight ended April 11.—No. 9 east level extended 27ft., total 494ft.; showing 8ft. of stone in the end. Crosscut from No. 8 level driven 20ft.; stopes discloses 2ft. to 4ft. of stone, and stope footwall over No. 8 east carries 2ft. of stone, while two stopes over No. 8 east carry 2ft. of stone. Raised 1155 trucks of quartz, and still crushing.

The manager of Kelly's Queen Block G.M. Company reports for fortnight ended April 16:—No. 3 level on bottom formation. In the stopes there is 1ft. of medium stone. Intermediate level from hopper extended 16ft., total 250ft.; 1ft. of stone in the face. No. 1 crosscut east on cross reef: North-west level extended 6ft., total 12ft.; 4in. of stone on footwall. South-east level extended 6ft.; 8in. stone in face. Winze sunk 5ft., total 65ft.; 6in. of stone in face. Hauled for the fortnight 96 trucks of quartz; total in hopper, 338 trucks of quartz.

The manager of the Queen Central G.M. Company reports for the fortnight ended April 18:—No. 2 shaft sunk 8ft., and timbered 8ft.; total 722ft. Rock hard grey granite, bad for breaking. Engineers getting on well with erection of the new engine; all heavy pieces in position.

The mine manager of the Democrat G.M. Company, Cowra Creek, reports that they have sunk the north winze 8ft., improving as they go down, and at present showing 6in. of stone, equal to 7oz. to 8oz. per ton. They sent away 291 bags of stone by rail on Wednesday.

The managing director of the Conrad Consolidated Mines, Limited, under date April 23, reports that progress at the mine for the week ended that date has been as follows:—The smelter has reduced 65 tons of ore and has produced 20 tons of argentiferous matte, assaying 221oz. silver and 33·6 per cent. of copper per ton. There is now on hand 34 tons of this grade of matte and 6 tons of partly refined matte, assaying 295oz. silver and 50 per cent. copper per ton. The concentrating mill has produced 20½ tons of copper-silver-tin concentrates, assaying 60oz. silver, 11 per cent. copper, 8 per cent. lead, and 9·37 per cent. tin per ton.

Mr. R. N. Kirk, agent for the Broken Hill South Silver-mining Company, No Liability, received a telegram yesterday stating that there had been treated 2741 tons crude ore and 609 tons of tailings, producing 577 tons concentrates, assaying 66 per cent. of lead, 23oz. silver, and 8 per cent. of zinc. The mill ran two shifts short.

The manager of Craven's Caledonia Gold-mining Co., C.T., reports for the fortnight ended April 16:—Hamann and party in west of No. 4 level, on Dunn's reef; have about 3 tons stone broken. Davies and party, on Craven's reef over No. 5 level, have crushed at the Victory mill 19 tons for 29oz. 5dwt. of smelted gold. No. 2 level drive 20ft., total from underlie shaft 133ft. Reef pinched a little, but hanging and foot walls now opened out again, and 18in. of formation showing of rubbly quartz, intermixed with mineral. Neilly and party sank straight shaft 16ft., shaft now down 376ft.

The manager of the Columbia (Charters Towers) G.M. Company, Limited, reports for fortnight ended April 11:—Completed the skidding of eastern chamber to surface.

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S PREDECESSORS

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THE CITY COUNCIL.

MEETING OF STAFF AND LABOUR COMMITTEE.

The staff and labour committee of the City Council held a meeting yesterday afternoon, Alderman Evan Jones presiding.

ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING SURVEYOR.

The city surveyor reported that the assistance of another engineering surveyor was required to keep pace with woodblocking contracts. It was essential that applicants should have a knowledge of road-making, surveying, and levelling. The salary he proposed was £3 5s per week, chargeable to the streets' loan fund, the appointment to be on probation only.

The report was approved, provided applications were invited, subject to the approval of the finance committee.

GRANTING OF LEAVE.

The city surveyor (Mr. W. M. Gordon) submitted a report respecting the method of granting leave. He expressed the opinion that in the best interests of the service it was advisable to report all leave to the town clerk, and upon his approval that he (Mr. Gordon) should grant the leave as the works would permit. The course proposed was the same as adopted in other large institutions.

The report was adopted, together with a motion by Alderman Richards,—"That in future the matter of regulating leave throughout the service be left in the hands of the town clerk."

A report from the city building surveyor stated that the small amount of painting work at present in hand did not warrant the employment of more hands. The report was received.

YES OR NO?

SYDNEY PEOPLE ARE RESPECTFULLY ASKED TO ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS.

Is there anything in the evidence of one's senses?

Is there anything in the testimony of one's friends?

Can reliance be placed on statements from people we know?

Are the opinions of local citizens of any greater moment than those of strangers?

Would you sooner believe people living in some far-away place than citizens of your own city?

We think not, for home proof can easily be investigated.

Mrs. Kate Helmka, 27 Ada-street, Ultimo, this city, says:—"About thirteen years ago I contracted a cold, which flew to the small of my back and seemed to affect my kidneys. My back was real lame, and when cold weather set in the pain used to be dreadful. When I worked the sewing machine my back ached more than ever, and I could never stay at it for any length of time. Having a large family to sew for made it very hard for me. I heard about Doan's Backache Kidney Pills and obtained a supply. Relief came almost immediately I started to use them, and now my cure is perfect. I am pleased to recommend these pills to all kidney sufferers."

The above statement was made some time ago. Mrs. Helmka now states:—"Although it is a year or more ago since I recommended Doan's Backache Kidney Pills I still have the same good opinion of this medicine. It is a splendid remedy for weak and aching backs and disordered kidneys. I've had no return of my trouble. I have recommended these pills to many people, and shall always be pleased to do so."

Beware of imitations. There is nothing just as good as the remedy which cured Mrs. Helmka—Doan's Backache Kidney Pills.

They are sold by all chemists and storekeepers at 2s 9d per box (six boxes 15s 3d), or will be posted on receipt of price by Foster-M'Clellan Co., 76 Pitt-street, Sydney.

But be sure they are D[illegible]. —Advt.

TRADES AND LABOUR.

OPERATIVE BAKERS' FEDERATION.

The annual meeting of the Operative Bakers' Federation will be held to-day in Melbourne. Mr. D. Moon, secretary of the federation, and Mr. A. Hunter, president of the Bakers' Union, have proceeded to Melbourne for the purpose of attending the meeting. The balance-sheet to be submitted will show a credit of £380 on the past year's work, and among other matters to be discussed is that of the strike of Brisbane bakers to enforce conditions of labour as affirmed by the council of the federation.

AMALGAMATED COACHMAKERS' SOCIETY.

The following is the claim filed in Arbitration by the Amalgamated Coachmakers' Society against the Master Coachbuilders and Wheelwrights' Association:—"That 48 hours shall constitute a week's work for all persons employed in the trade. (2) That the minimum wage shall be as follows: Bodymakers, wheelmakers, coachsmiths, coachtrimmers, and coachpainters 1s 3d per hour, vice men 1s 1½d per hour; coachpainters' labourers 10½d per hour; overtime to be paid at the rate of time and a half, except on Christmas Day, Good Friday, Eight-hour Day, and Sunday, when double time shall be allowed. (3) All boys shall be indentured for five years, one boy being permitted to every three journeymen or fraction of three. Such proportion shall be based on two-thirds full time employment of journeymen employed in the particular shop for the previous six months. (4) The wages of boys shall be 5s 6d per week for first year, 10s per week second year, 15s per week third year, 20s per week fourth year, and 30s for the fifth year. Several other concessions are also asked for by the society.

COOL STORAGE EMPLOYEES' UNION.

The quarterly meeting of this union was held last night at the Trades Hall. The following officers were elected:—President, Mr. G. Galloway; vice-president, Mr. W. Wright; secretary Mr. W. J. Goodridge; treasurer, Mr. Law, sen.

UNITED LABOURERS' UNION.

At a meeting of this union held last night it was decided, in view of the distress amongst members, that a combined deputation consisting of the board of management of the society, executive of the Political Labour League, and members of the Labour party should wait upon Mr. O'Sullivan on his return to Sydney for the purpose of asking that reproductive works should be started, as members had an aversion to relief works.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

HOUSES AND LAND.

THE SHERIFF.—At the Saleroom, Supreme Court, at 12, Right, Title, and Interest under a Will.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

J. R. LAWSON.—At Crowood, Concord-road, Concord, at 11, Furniture, Pianofortes, Carpets, Glass, China, Clock, &c.

ALLDIS and CO.—At Jack's Cottage, Cowper-street, Waverley, at 11, Piano, Furniture, Glass China, &c.

J. P. LISTER.—At 31 Elizabeth-street, Waterloo, at 11, Stock-in-trade of a Grocery Business, Furniture, Piano, Wines, &c.; at his Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, Blankets, &c.; at 2.30, E. P. Ware, Spoons, Forks, Musical Instruments, Opera Glasses, &c.

V. H. KELSON.—At the Rooms, at 11, Furniture, Dinner Service, Cutlery, Glassware, Sewing Machine, Linoleums, &c.

C. TROWER and CO.—At the Mart, at 12, Teas.

S. H. HARRIS and CO.—At the Mart, at 11, American Hog Casings, Soap, Dates, Tea, Assorted Soaps, Wrapping Paper, &c.

M. DE LISSA and CO.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, Knives, Spoons, Tumblers, Tray Glasses, Cups, Saucers, &c.

M. GOULSTON and CO.—At the Rooms at 11, Fancy Goods, Cutlery, Perfumery, Brushware, &c.

LAWSON, HENDERSON, and CO.—At the Rooms, at 11, Blankets, Drapery, Trousers, Plaster of Paris Lamps, &c.

H. W. BROOK.—At 417 Pitt-street, at 11, Furniture, Carpets, Linoleums, Gas Stove, Dinner Service, Tea Set, &c.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At Strathnoon, Park-road, Burwood, at 11, Furniture, Pianoforte, Carpets, Art Drapery, Dinner and Tea Services, Bookcase, &c.

E. H. BRODRIBB.—At 637 and 639 George-street, Haymarket, at 2.30, Furniture, Piano, &c.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At Hay and George streets, at 2, Clothing, Drapery, Furniture, &c.

J. CANTY.—At 32 Bullanaming-street, Redfern, at 10, Furniture, &c.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 10.30, 11.30, and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.

J. R. LAWSON.—At Crowood, Concord-road Concord, at 2.30, Carriage, Pony, Harness, &c.

ALLDIS and CO.—At Jack's Cottage, Cowper-street, Waverley at 11, Pony, Sulky, Harness, &c.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At Strathnoon, Park-road, Burwood, at 11, Hooded Buggy.

MISCELLANEOUS.

SMITH and BAINES.—At Albany and Clarendon roads, Petersham, at 11, Contractor's Plant, Tar, Bluestone, Drays, Waggons, &c.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At Strathnoon, Park-road, Burwood, at 11, Skye Terrier.

J. R. LAWSON.—At Crowood, Concord-road, Concord, at 2.30, Carpenter's Tools, Garden Roller, Cows, &c.

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WANTED, Gas or Oil ENGINE, about 2-h.p. Oil, Herald Office.

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FUNERALS.

TAIT.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. H. M. TAIT will leave her late residence, Flavel Villa, Penkivil-street, Bondi, THIS DAY, TUESDAY, at 12.30 p.m., for Rookwood Presbyterian Cemetery.
CHARLES KINSELA, Funeral Director. (Head Office) 116 Oxford-street, &c. Tel., 992, &c.

N.S.W. OPERATIVE BAKERS' ASSOCIATION.—Members are requested to attend the Funeral of Brother JAMES KIDD; to move from the Sydney Hospital (Domain entrance), THIS DAY (Tuesday), at 1.30 p.m., for the Mortuary, thence to Rookwood.
CHARLES CRAIGIE, Acting Secretary.

TROLLOPE.—The Friends of Mrs. E. TROLLOPE are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND; to move from Hercules-street, Dulwich Hill, THIS TUESDAY, at 1.30, for Rookwood, via Petersham. T. J. ANDREWS, Undertaker, near Railway Bridge, Newtown.

TROLLOPE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE HEAD are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved SON-IN-LAW; to move from Hercules-street, Dulwich Hill, THIS TUESDAY, at 1.30, for Petersham station, thence to Rookwood. T. J. ANDREWS, Undertaker, near Railway Bridge, Newtown.

CUMMINS.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. CUMMINS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved DAUGHTER, Mary; to move from the Children's Hospital, Glebe, THIS DAY, at 1.30, for R.C. Cemetery, Rookwood.
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MARRIED Couple, cook and baker, wife h'maid-laundress, £75, 3 in fam., Moree. Wilton, 29 Eliz.-st.

MARRIED COUPLES (2), for bachelors' qrs., man ck. and bake, wife Housemaid-L'dress, £70, £65; Boots and Porter, c'try hotel, 25s, good tips; Hut Cook, 20s; useful Man, garden, drive, &c., 10s; statn. Lad, milk, kill, &c. 10s; Lad for dairy farm, 7s 6d. HITTMANN, 49A Castlereagh-street.

MOTHER and Dtr., £65, college, sub.; Cook, 15s, 17s 6d, city; H. M. L'dress, 16s, 18s, sub.; 2 Friends, 20s, school, sub.; C. and L., 14s; Nurse, N'woman, 12s, doctor's house, sub.; exp. Gen., 14s, Edgecliff; K'maid, 12s 6d, hotel, Mosman; G. S., 12s, Stanmore; 10s, 2 adults, P'ton; 15s, stn., Quirindi; Nur.-H'maid, 10s. 110 Bathurst-street.

NURSE and Needlewoman for two children, lady pref. Letter, Mrs. Stuart Dobbie, Leppington, Neutral Bay.

RESP. GIRL, 15, assist in housework, sleep home pref. 19 Bellasmang-st., Redfern.

REL. Gen. Ser. (Manly), small fam., cottage (conf. home), 10s, inter. 11 a.m. Miss Swan, 21 Eliz.-st.

R.C. LADY or Mother's Help, must be good needlewoman, willing to assist in household duties and capable of teaching two young boys. Enclose refs., stating salary required, to P. W. C., Herald Office.

SHIRT IRONERS wanted. 84 Darling-st., Balmain. Take Mort's Dock ferry.

SMART young GENERAL, good cook, no washing. 51 Prospect-rd., Summer Hill.

SMART honest LAD, 14, for milk run, no driving. M'Gregor, Northwood-st., Camperdown.

SMART yng. GIRL, plain cook, small family. Mrs. H. Cambridge, Glenmore, Raglan-st., nr. Point Wl., Mos.

SUPERIOR Girl as Light GENERAL, assistance given, sleep home pref. 133 Darlington-rd.

TRUCARTERS.—Special MEETING TO-NIGHT, Trades Hall. Roll up.

UNEMPLOYED.—Meeting 2 p.m., Statue. To hear and consider reports. John Dwyer, convener.

WANTED, first-class WAITER, must be thor. expd. and produce good refs. Usher's Metropolitan Hotel.

WANTED at once, honest and sober Laundry Woman at Sydney Coffee Palace Hotel, Lower Domain.

WANTED, smart young General, 1 in fam., 10s, Prot., p. refs., sleep h. After 8, 154 Bourke-st., off Wm.-st.

WANTED, 2 BOYS to deliver handbills. Gardiner's Redfern Boot Emporium, Regent-st., Redfern.

WANTED, a useful GIRL, must be clean. Apply Nurse Pender, 350 Cleveland-st., Moore Park.

WANTED, respectable, useful BOY for pickle factory. 8 Ferry-st., off Addison-rd., Marrickville.

WANTED, a young LAD, as useful. 343 Pitt-st.

WANTED, from 9 to 6.30, GIRL, for general work. 50 Newtown-rd., near Cleveland-st., city.

WANTED, resp., honest General SERVANT, refs., nursemaid kept. 176 Bay-st., opp. Grace Bros.

WANTED, a smart BOY, able to drive, good home and wages. 69 Gross-st., Camperdown.

WANTED, strong young GENERAL. Apply before 3 o'clock, 23 Prospect-rd., Summer Hill.

WANTED, a good General SERVANT. Dover Castle Hotel, Missenden Hotel, Camperdown.

WANTED, good GENERAL, help with children. 102 Bligh-st., Newtown.

WANTED, Shirt and Pyjama HANDS, must be competent. 616 George-st., over Goulston Bros.

WANTED, light GENERAL. Apply bet. 10 and 11, Bellevue, Enmore-rd., nr. Marrickville Park.

WANTED, Youth as General Useful, refs. req. Sir John Young Hotel, Liverpool and George sts.

WANTED, young Girl, NURSE, 2 children, assist housework, refs. 21 Gurner-st., Paddington.

WANTED, a GIRL for housework, sleep at home. 436 Oxford-st., Paddington.

WANTED, a General SERVANT, able to cook. St. Malo, 48 Jersey-rd., Paddington.

WANTED, a young GIRL, good at plain ironing, useful. University Laundry, 40 Glebe-rd., Glebe Point.

WANTED, young General SERVANT, refs. req. After 9.30 a.m., 14 Mansfield-st., Glebe Point.

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WANTED, smart POTATO PEELER, used restaurant work. Apply 154 George-st.

WANTED, a competent General SERVANT, and well. Killara, Bayswater-rd., Darlinghurst.

WANTED, strong General; also Girl, about 16, as housemaid. 18 Carrington-st., Wynyard-sq.

WANTED, good General SERVANT. Apply early, Bee Hive Hotel, Princes-st., city.

WANTED, respectable Licensed Cabdriver, must be good driver. Apply at once, Macdonald, Homebush.

WANTED, clean, smart GIRL, for housework. Apply Mrs. Carey, 101 Harris-st., Ultimo.

WANTED, WAITRESS. Heath's, 715 George-st., Haymarket.

WANTED, thor. Gen., Petersham, all duties, no shirts, 15s. A.B.C. Reg. 11 to 12 a.m., Eliz.-st., nr. Hunt.-st.

WANTED, GIRL, light housework, used children, sleep home. 25 Valentine-st., opp. Christ Church.

WANTED, smart WAITRESS, used to tea restaurant. Early, Federal Dining Rooms, 115 C'reagh st., city.

WANTED, Washers, used to laundry, Darlinghurst Laun., cr. Liverpool and U. Burgham sts., D'hurst.

WANTED, young, smart WAITRESS. Apply 93 William-st.

WANTED, young Girl as Housemaid, sleep home. Apply after 9, 44 Alberto-terrace, Darlinghurst-rd.

WANTED, little GIRL, assist housework, 2s 6d week. 163B Palmer-st., near William-st.

WANTED, good GENERAL, no washing. Mrs. Butler, 108 William-st.

WANTED, by Monday, May 4, a compt. Genl. SERVANT. Mrs. J. E. Daly, Melrose, Keston-av., Mosm.

WANTED, for Lindfield, compt. L. Help or General, Prot., refs., 12s. Wol. Kalimna, Osborne-rd., Manly.

WANTED, a good GENERAL, small family, references indispensable. 15 Goodhope-st., Paddington.

WANTED, GIRL, 15 to 18, housework, sleep home. 42 Moonbie-st., Summer Hill.

WANTED, a GENERAL, no washing, sleep at home preferred. 188 Harris-st., Pyrmont.

WANTED, a useful GIRL, for housework. Apply 18 Woolloomooloo-st.

WANTED, a resp. GIRL, light duties, good home. Mrs. Tent, 10 Paul-st., Milson's Point.

WANTED, young Woman HOUSEMAID, assist in bar. Trades Hall Hotel, Goulburn and Sussex sts.

WANTED, NURSEGIRL, sleep home. Apply between 11 and 12, 15 Milton-terrace, Dawes Point, Sydney.

WANTED, GIRL, good ref., country. Apply Elsie Cottage, Pritchard-st., Annandale.

WANTED, competent GENERAL, sleep at home. 100 Jersey-rd., Paddington.

WANTED, resp. GENERAL, small fam., able to cook, no wash., refs. Mrs. M'Kechnie, on P.O., St. Peters.

WANTED, a tidy GIRL, 15 or 16. Burgh House, Park-rd., Moore Park.

WANTED, General SERVANT. Apply between 9 and 11 to Mrs. Rae, 95 Old South Head-rd., Waverley.

WANTED, a useful WAITRESS. Victoria Coffee Palace, 298 Pitt-st.

WANTED, a respectable young Girl, as General SERVANT. Apply after 9, Brisbane-st., city. Refs.

WANTED, mid. age. Woman as Gen., sleep home, wgs. 7s. After 10, 9 Alberta-st., off Macquarie-st. South.

WANTED, NURSE, for Darlinghurst, one infant. Apply in Bowater-st., Balmain.

WANTED, clean tidy GIRL, to mind baby and assist housework. 36 Oxford-st., Paddington.

WANTED a resp. GIRL, gen. place, sleep at home if preferred. Apply 5 Annandale-st., Annandale.

WANTED, General SERVANT, no washing. Apply Butcher's Shop, 211 Oxford-st., Darlinghurst.

WANTED, respectable young Girl, used to housework. Apply after 10, 409 Bourke-st., Surry Hills.

WANTED, smart young BARMAN, must have Sydney ref. Mrs. Lee, Agency, 236 Oxford-st., Pad'ton.

WANTED, a good GENERAL, at once. 23 Underwood-st., Paddington.

WANTED, young GENERAL, used to children. Apply after 9, 124 Arthur-st., Moore Park.

WANTED, a useful GIRL for housework, assist with baby, sleep at home. 168 Forbes-st.

WANTED, superior young Girl as Housemaid and Waitress. 29 Upper William-st., Darlinghurst.

WANTED, compt. GENERAL, good cook, gas stove, small fam., 12s, ref. Mrs. Bruce-st., Petersham.

WANTED, 2 resp. Girls, to wait on guests at wedding reception this afternoon. Early, 184 Elizabeth-st.

WANTED, young MAN, drive, groom, garden, milk, 10s. By letter, Cumberland, 15 Parramatta-rd., An'dale.

WANTED, young GIRL, mind baby and be useful. Apply Mrs. M. King, 4 Goodsell-st., Newtown.

WANTED, good GENERAL, young girl kept, in morning, 12s. Orissa, Livingstone-rd., Burwood.

WANTED, thoroughly respectable NURSEMAID, with references, for Hyde Park, wages 6s week. Mater, P.O., Oxford-street.

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WANTED, competent COOK and Laundress, young. Apply this morning or by letter, references, Mrs. HERBERT MARKS, Woollahra.

WANTED, competent General SERVANT, housemaid kept. Apply this morning, Mrs. E. R. GRAHAM, Elsham, Wellington-street, Woollahra.

WANTED, competent COOK, for Potts Point, assistance given. Meet lady 11 o'c. at Mrs. WOODIN'S, 52 Post Office chambers, 114A Pitt-street, opp. G.P.O.

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YOUNG Person, resp., assist housework, sleep home pref. App. after 10, 45 Walker-st., N.S.

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YOUNG GIRL to assist house, sleep at home. 1 Bedford-crescent, off Wardell-rd., Marrickville.

YOUTH wanted to drive van. Apply J. Joshua, Booth and Junior sts., Leichhardt.

YOUNG GIRL, make herself generally useful. Apply after 9 a.m., 13 Campbell-st., off Glenmore-rd., Pad.

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